

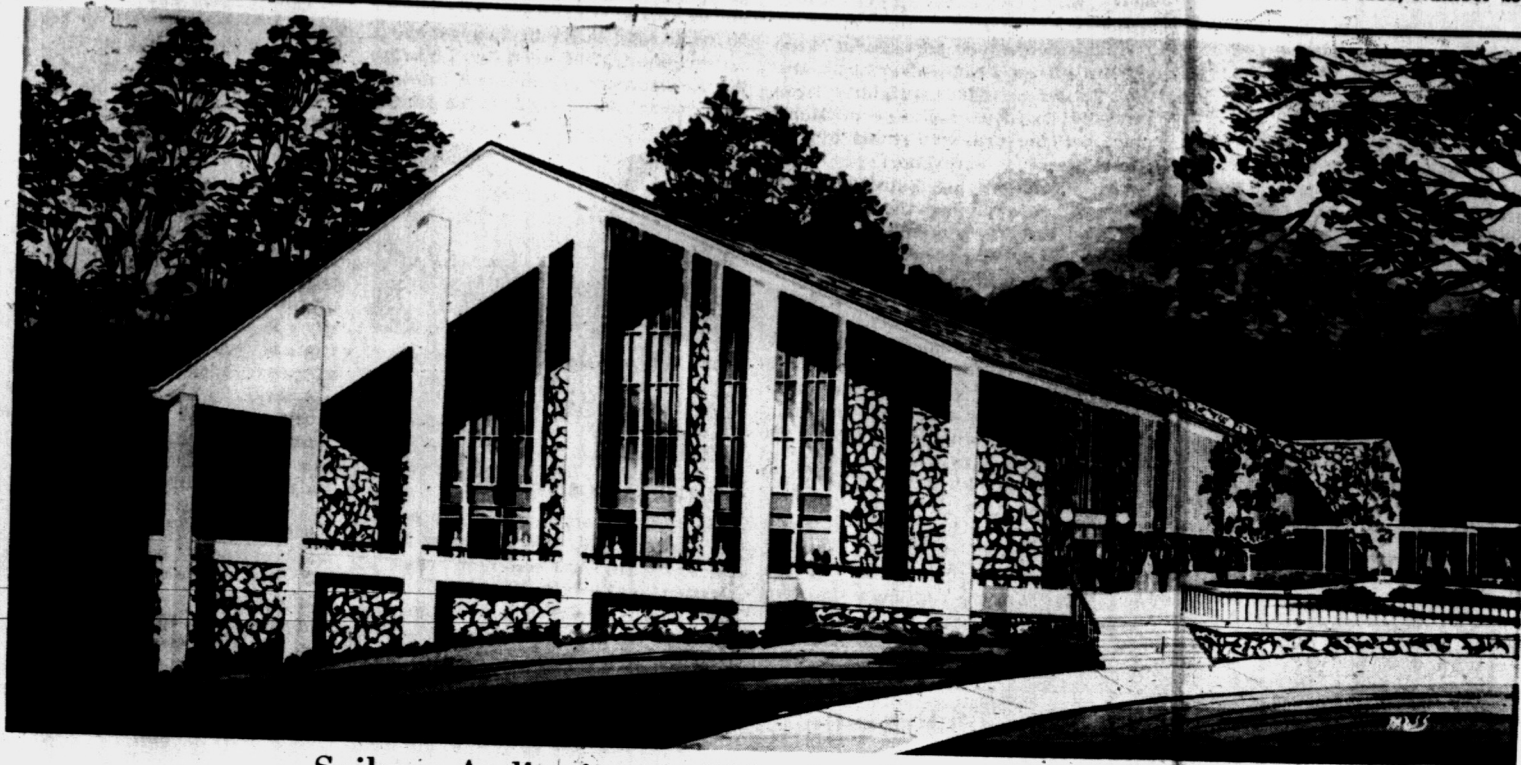
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Spilman Auditorium At Ridgecrest Gets Face-Lifting

The B. W. Spilman Auditorium at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Ridgecrest, N. C., is undergoing a complete renovation, according to Bob Boyd, director of the conference center division, Sunday School Board. The chalet-type structure will seat 2,600 persons and will be completed before the summer of 1973. The current face-lifting will feature colored glass windows, western cedar, nature stone, new lighting and sound systems, and a dehumidification ventilation system equipped with central-heat modifications for use during the winter. Named for Bernard Washington Spilman, first yield secretary of the board and founder of Ridgecrest, the auditorium was built in 1938. It was remodeled in 1944 and again in 1952. (BSSB Photo).

Opened Aug. 26 In Jackson Mall

## Lifeway Book Store Now In State

A new book store, operated by the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, was opened in the Jackson Mall, a large shopping center in Jackson, Miss., on Saturday, August 26.

The store was the first of a new

### Merritt Elected Secretary, European Baptist Convention

John Merritt, pastor of the Milan Baptist Church, Milan, Italy, has been elected Executive Secretary of the European Baptist Convention (English language).

Rev. and Mrs. Merritt were appointed to Italy in 1964 by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Since 1967 they have worked in the Milan area in bilingual evangelism. During the past two years Rev. Merritt has served as Chairman of the Italian Baptist Mission.

Rev. Merritt, a native of Hattiesburg, graduated from Clarke Memorial College, Mississippi College and New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary. He has done graduate work at the University of Southern Mississippi and at the University for Foreigners, Perugia, Italy. Before his appointment to Italy he was pastor of the Chicora and Big Creek Baptist Churches of Wayne County and of the First Baptist Church, Sneads, Florida.

Mrs. Merritt, the former Elizabeth Pope, was born in Mobile, Alabama, and grew up in Chicora, Mississippi. She attended William Carey College, Florida State University and the University for Foreigners, Perugia, Italy.

The Merritts have three sons: Mike, Mark and Phil.

Rev. Merritt will establish the office of the European Baptist Convention in Heidelberg, Germany.

type of stores being established by the Board, to be called Lifeway Stores.

According to the official announcement the store will not be another "Baptist Book Store" as such, but will be a new concept of retail merchandising being developed by the Sunday School Board. It will not operate as a competitor of the regular Baptist Book Stores which will continue to be operated, as in the past but instead will serve as a new outlet for Christian materials, to be located only in large shopping centers.

The Jackson store was dedicated in a brief ceremony attended by a small group of Sunday School Board officials and Mississippi Baptist leaders on Friday night, and was opened with a special ribbon cutting ceremony at 10 a.m. on Saturday morning.

The ribbon cutting was by Miss Deborah Karls of Greenville, Mississippi's Miss Hospitality for 1972. Present for the ceremony were Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School Board; Mr. Jay O. Turner, head of the Central Department of the Book Store Division of the Sunday School Board; Mr. William O. Thomason, who is director of the Lifeway Division of the Sunday School Board Book Stores; and Miss Jennifer Bryon who serves as director of Public Relations for the Book Store Division of the Sunday School Board; all of Nashville.

Representing the Board of Directors of the Sunday School Board were Mississippi's members of the board, Dr. Lavon Moore of Pontotoc and Mrs. Moore, and Mr. Robert H. Hederman of Jackson and Mrs. Hederman. Other members of the board present were Dr. Scott L. Tatum of Shreveport, president, and Mrs. Tatum, and Dr. Elmer Bailey of Memphis.

## Archer Attacks Platforms Of Two Major Political Parties

WASHINGTON, D. C. (C-SNS) — Both the Democratic and Republican Party platforms were scored today as failing to uphold the American principle of separation of church and state by Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

The 1972 Democratic platform calls for the channeling of "financial aid by a Constitutional formula to children in non-public schools." The Republican platform calls for federal income tax credits for reimbursing parents who pay tuition to parochial and private schools.

The text of the Archer statement follows:

"In calling for tax aid for parochial and private education, the authors of the 1972 platforms of our two great

parties have ignored the public interest, the public will, and the Constitution.

"The public interest will not be served by a government policy of paying parents to send their children to sectarian and private schools. Such a policy could only damage public education, religious liberty, interfaith harmony, and economy in education. "The people of our nation have repeatedly said, in opinion polls and referendum elections, that they do not want to be taxed for the support of credentialed segregated special interest private schools.

"Federal courts in Ohio and Pennsylvania have this year determined that reimbursing parents for tuition paid to parochial schools is just as unconstitutional as direct public aid

to sectarian institutions. The tax credit parochial plans supported by the Administration and by certain Congressmen of both parties are indistinguishable from the programs already found unconstitutional by the courts.

"Instead of listening to noisy pressure groups seeking government preference and tax support for sectarian institutions, our political leaders should be paying more attention to Constitutional principle, to the public interest and public institutions, and to the public will. John F. Kennedy did so when he said twelve years ago, 'I believe in an America where the separation of church and state is absolute — where no church or church school is granted any public funds or political preference.'"

## A Minister Points Out What You Can Do Concerning Communism

By D. James Kennedy

Senior Minister  
Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church  
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Text: "Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil." Ephesians 5:14-16.

He's six years old. And his name is Mark. He lives across the street from us and he just has a great back yard to play in. I know because our own little Jennifer plays over there quite frequently. This you will have to understand to appreciate the comments

that our eight-year-old made last Sunday as I drove up in front of our house after preaching about Communism. She had been rather pensive and then she boldly asserted, "Daddy, do you know what I would do if the Communists took over this country?" I said, "No, honey, what would you do?" She said, "You know that tree in Mark's back yard?" I said, "Yes." She said, "I'd climb up in that tree and they would never, ever find me." Childish? Well, yes. But may I ask, what tree are you going to climb up into? What tree are you hiding in now? I have talked to many people about this subject and I find that they are up a lot of trees. Probably the most common tree in which they are

straddling a branch is the tree designated "just ignore it and maybe it will go away; I don't like to think about unpleasant things. It is disturbing to me. If I can just get my head deep enough in the sand maybe it will just cease to exist." That is an interesting approach, isn't it? If it has been yours, you are not the first one. Pastor Richard Wurmbrand, a leading Lutheran minister in Rumania until he was captured in the take-over by the Communists and spent fourteen years being tortured in their prisons, said that after his release he became curious about what was said by the various religious periodicals in countries before their take-over by Communism. And so he began to dig

He came up with the official publications and news magazines of the Russian Orthodox Church that were printed in Russia in 1917. In October of that year the Russians were taken over by Communism. (Some of the young revolutionaries in Russia today are known as "Octoberists.") What was the attitude of the Russian Orthodox Church in their periodicals in the months immediately preceding this take-over? What did they say about this ominous, threatening, impending Communism? Pastor Wurmbrand was astonished to find that they said practically nothing at all! When it was mentioned it was something far away and of no threat to Pastor Wurmbrand then checked with the

Christian missionary organizations in China in 1949, the year that tremendous changes took place in China as Mao Tse-tung took over with his hordes. What was the attitude expressed in the periodicals of the various Christian mission organizations that were operating in China in 1949? They had very, very little to say about it. Even a couple of months before the take-over there was hardly a mention of Communism in these publications. They were dealing with matters more important. Were they helping the Christians of China by this head-in-the-sand attitude? As a result of that 50,000,000 people in China are now dead.

What was the attitude of the church

leaders in Rumania in the weeks before the take-over? To them Communism was a joke! Anybody that would speak about Communism was some sort of an extremist, a radical, and was no threat at all. But one morning they got out of bed, brushed their teeth, turned on the radio, and found that they were living in a Communist state. Then the horror began. I wonder how many of us realize that it is possible that we could wake up tomorrow and find that we are living in the U.S.S.A.: the United Soviet States of America. That is the way it has happened in one nation after another.

The Russian church ignored it. (Continued On Page 3)

## Doctor Scores Poor Health Of Ministers

FORT WORTH, TEX. (BP) — "The group in the poorest health condition of any I've found is ministers," Kenneth H. Cooper, M. D., told a crowd of approximately 250 ministers of education and other religious educators at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

According to Dr. Cooper's research, over 77% of men over 29 years old have blood vessels clogged with fat. He stated that there is developing an "alarming increase" of heart attacks affecting men in the 25-44 age bracket, and that for women under 40, there is an 11% increase in heart attacks. Dr. Cooper cited obesity, cigarette smoking and inactivity as factors contributing to heart disease.

Exercise is at least one possible deterrent, he claimed.

Benefits accrue to any professional group from a safe, regular exercise program, Dr. Cooper discovered, range from increased stamina, weight reduction, and more adequate sleep and rest to decrease despondency, greater productivity, more positive mental attitude, and a changed self-image.

Dr. Cooper addressed the fifty-second annual meeting of the Southwestern Baptist Religious Education Association. More than 325 Baptist educators registered for the three-day conference.

"In one university study," Dr. Cooper said, "we found that the students making the best grades were also the most physically fit."

He stressed that for anyone over 40, including workers in religion, before beginning an exercise program to first have a physical examination, complete with a stress-electrocardiogram and once begun, to try not to get back into shape too fast.

"Anyone — whatever their age — can safely enter an exercise program," Dr. Cooper said. "Even if a person already has clogged vessels, his chances of surviving a heart attack are five times better after exercising on a regular basis."

An older person does not experience ill health because of what we term "old age," Dr. Cooper said, but because we do less as we grow older.

"Exercise will not only help you add years to your life," he concluded, "but life to your years as well."

Sessions for the conference closed with the election of next year's officers. James D. Williams, professor of adult education at Southwestern Seminary, is the 1972-73 president.

President-elect for 1973-74 is Bob Hines, minister of adults, Park Cities Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas.

## Religion In China "Lost Thru Culture Revolution"

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — "What was left of organized religion (in the People's Republic of China) seems to have been a casualty of the Cultural Revolution's campaign against the 'Four Olds' — old thinking, old habits, old customs, and old traditions."

This is the impression of Rep. Hale Boggs (D-La.) and Rep. Gerald R. Ford (R-Mich.), majority and minority leaders in the U. S. House of Representatives, respectively, following their recent 15-day visit to the Communist nation.

In an eight-page report to colleagues in the House, the two lawmakers covered such topics as normalization of relations with China, Taiwan, trade, law and justice, political stability, exchanges, economy, environment, education and culture, family life, health and medical care.

Their remarks concerning the religious situation in the world's most populous country came under the section entitled "Education and Culture."

"We were told," they said, "that the Red Guards had raided and closed the churches after arms were discovered in a church and evidence produced that a churchman was a spy. When we asked to attend church services in Shanghai we were told that no churches were functioning."

"We saw several closed churches in Peking and Canton, including the former Roman Catholic Cathedral, which was said to be used as an office now," they reported. "The White-Haired Girl" (a film version of the Peking Revolutionary Opera, which the Congressmen attended) contained elements linking Buddhism to the rule of landlords in pre-1949 China.

In discussing what they termed "a new element in Chinese education since the Cultural Revolution," namely, a vast network of "cadre schools" for the "education and re-education of people in positions of responsibility, Reps. Boggs and Ford saw some parallels to religious groups in the West.

"Here as elsewhere group pressures and psychological techniques are used which are not too far removed from those used by religious groups in the West," they noted.

In another part of their report, the legislators said: "In disciplined, unified China, American visitors will wonder if our self-indulgent free society will be able to compete effectively 50 years hence with this totalitarian state, possessed of a population which dwarfs our own, with

equal or greater natural resources, and with total commitment to national goals."

Regarding three Americans currently being held as prisoners of the Chinese, the Congressmen said they "appealed" to Premier Chou En-lai and others "on behalf of these men and their families, on humanitarian grounds, that they be accorded consideration with respect to treatment and release."

The prisoners are John Downey, U. S. Air Force Major Philip Smith, and U. S. Navy Lt. Cmdr. Robert J. Flynn. The two military officers were forced down over Hainan Island, the lawmakers said; they didn't indicate how Downey was captured.

"The Chinese explained," they said, "that from now on, they expect to handle the matter of prisoners on a candid and above-board basis, utilizing the channels of communication

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### Sibley Burnett, Bible School Leader, Dies

NASHVILLE (BP) — Sibley C. Burnett, who worked in Vacation Bible School leadership at the Baptist Sunday School Board for 30 years before his retirement in August, 1967, died suddenly at his home in Nashville on August 21.



During the year following his retirement, he served as pastor of an English speaking Baptist church in West Berlin under auspices of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

He was the first Baptist Student Secretary for Nashville colleges, serving Vanderbilt, Peabody and Scarritt from 1932 to 1933.

His religious work also included service as minister of education, pastor, and youth leader.

Burnett is survived by his wife, Anita Florence Vaught Burnett, sister of W. O. Vaught, pastor of Immanuel Baptist Church, Little Rock; and two children, Sibley Charles is a scientist at Los Alamos, N. M. Mary Roanna is the wife of Trent Butler, a professor at the Baptist Theological Seminary at Ruschlikon, Switzerland.



## NEWS BRIEFS

### Kathie Benge Is New Copywriter For Broadman

NASHVILLE — Kathie Benge has joined the Sunday School Board as a Broadman Press copywriter in the Broadman trade sales department.

Miss Benge, a native of Mississippi, received her B. A. in religious education with a minor in journalism from William Carey College, Hattiesburg, Miss., in 1971. Prior to coming to the Board, she was a journalism intern and editor of the William Carey College school paper, "The Cobbler."

While in college Miss Benge was vice-president of Religious Education Association and Miss Carey College 1972. She also was a top ten/semi-finalist in the 1972 Miss Mississippi Pageant.

### Mrs. T. B. Hawkins Dies In Argentina

ROSARIO, Argentina — Lou Combs Hawkins, emeritus Southern Baptist missionary, died here Aug. 16 following an extended illness. She was 75.

Funeral and burial services were to be held Aug. 17. Mrs. Hawkins had continued to make her home here retiring in 1963.

The former Lou Ellen Combs of Randolph County, Ala., she was a graduate of Judson College, Marion, Ala.

Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1921, Mrs. Hawkins served 42 years in Argentina.

### Alaska Church Calls Pastor From Mississippi

Rev. W. D. Kirk has accepted the call to become pastor of Glacier Valley Baptist Church, Juneau, Alaska, on September 1.

A graduate of Southern Seminary, he is presently pastor of the Interstate Church, Shaw, Mississippi. He has formerly been pastor at Webb, and served as Chief of Chaplains at Parchman.

While at Interstate, he has led the church in numerical growth, remodeling, debt retirement; two young people have been called into the ministry. As Chief of Chaplains at Parchman, he helped to inaugurate the new chaplaincy program at the state penitentiary and laid the foundation for the new mental center program.

Rev. and Mrs. Kirk left August 21 to drive to Prince Rupert and take the Alaska Marine Highway to Juneau. Their son, Donnie, and his wife graduating from Mississippi State, will live in Mississippi. The Kirks may be addressed at: Glacier Valley Baptist Church, Route No. 4 Box 4437, Juneau, Alaska 99801.

### Recital At BMC

Edward Ludlow will present a faculty organ recital at Blue Mountain College Sept. 5. Mr. Ludlow, Associate Professor of Organ and Church Music has presented many recitals in the state. The public is invited to attend the recital which will be performed on the new Zimmer pipe organ in the Lowery Memorial Baptist Church at eight o'clock.



Dr. Kelly, left, and Dr. Myers, left, and Mrs. Hensley and her mother, Mrs. Sipes

### HENSLEYS' NEW BOOK DEDICATED IN FRIDAY CHAPEL SERVICE

Behaving At Home, a new book by Dr. and Mrs. J. Clark Hensley, was dedicated during the chapel service at the Baptist Building Friday, August 18. Dr. Charles Myers, Chairman of the Christian Action Commission and pastor of Alta Woods Church, Jackson, brought the devotional message and Dr. Earl Kelly, pastor of Ridgcrest Church, Jackson, led the dedicatory prayer.

Dr. Hensley is the executive director of the Christian Action Commission and the Hensleys are members at Ridgcrest Church. Mrs. Hensley made the first book presentation to her mother, Mrs. L. M. Sipes of Little Rock, Arkansas. Other presentations were made to Dr. W. Douglas Hodgins, Dr. Myers, Dr. Kelly,

and Mrs. Evelyn Burke, office secretary of the Commission.

Behaving At Home (172 pages with twenty chapters) records some of the messages the authors give in family life conferences and family life enrichment revivals. The book is geared to parents, pastors and mature young people and is a resource project of the Christian Action Commission. The title suggestion came from a paraphrase of Psalm 101:2: "O Lord, how I need your help, especially in my own home where I long to behave as I should." The new book is available at the Baptist Book Store. Dr. Hensley has previously written four books, contributed frequently to magazines and periodicals and is the author of a number of tracts relating to the Christian life.

FORT WORTH — "Minutes in mutual understanding" might well be the title of a series of four one-minute spot announcements the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission is sending every radio station in the country. For the one-minute messages pay tribute to three Jewish holy days — Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur and Sukkot — and explain how those holy days are fulfilled for Christians. The Jewish holy days are observed in September.

CHICAGO — Pacific Garden Mission, the nation's second oldest rescue mission, marks its 95th anniversary on September 15, 1972. Its doors have never been closed even for a day since its founding in 1877, six years after the great Chicago fire had sent most churches to the City's outskirts, according to Harry G. Saulnier, Superintendent. In its 95 years the Mission has welcomed an estimated six million persons. In its 95th year, 2,578 persons made professions of faith in Jesus Christ as Saviour.

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast — Ninety persons have received baptism at the hands of Southern Baptist missionaries in the Ivory Coast during the nine-month period of November through July. Formerly the highest number of baptisms for any year was 13 in 1969. Mrs. Jerri Darnell, missionary press representative, attributes this approximate 900 per cent increase to African-led revivals and to an increase in missionary personnel. Before Southern Baptist missionaries entered the republic in 1968 a number of Yoruba-language Baptist churches had been started by Nigerian traders who had migrated to the Ivory Coast. For the first time, Baptists of this country have an African pastor. Koko Augustin Kobenan has recently completed studies at the Baptist seminary in Kumasi, Ghana, and become pastor of Koumassi Baptist Church here. He is the first Ivorian pastor of any of the 22 churches related to the Southern Baptist mission in the Ivory Coast.

LOS TEQUES, Venezuela — LeRoy Ford, on leave from the faculty of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, is teaching professors of the Venezuelan Baptist Theological Seminary here how to prepare programmed materials to train laymen in evangelism techniques. The programmed curriculum will be used in eight study centers around Venezuela to make seminary training available to laymen where they live and work. Enrollment now totals 114.

MONROVIA, Calif. — More than 1,200 pastors and ministers in Uganda, Sri Lanka (formerly known as Ceylon) and New Hebrides are expected to attend Pastors' Conferences in their countries next month sponsored by World Vision International. The meetings, the 84th, 85th and 86th since 1953, are basically to "recharge" church leaders for more effective pastoral care and more fruitful evangelism. Nearly 60,000 men and women so far have taken advantage of this opportunity financed by Christians in the U.S., Canada and Australia.

GLORIETA, N. M. — Fifty-two Southern Baptist missionary journey-men spent four emotion-packed days here getting reacquainted and sharing experiences following two years of overseas service. Returning from assignments in 27 countries as diverse as Vietnam and Austria, and jobs as varied as office secretary and agricultural specialist, the young people went through the regular journeyman debriefing conference with apparent mixed emotions. Hard times were relieved and joyous moments shared. One couple were married upon their return and made the debriefing conference part of an extended honeymoon. Ron Shearer and his bride, the former Jennifer Elkins, served in Zambia and Nigeria. The conferees seemed to be moved by the appearance of Larry Hughes who served in Malawi until a swimming accident nearly took his life in November 1970. Though some doctors said Hughes would never walk again, he moved about the conference center with the aid of crutches.

### Choral Reading Clinic To Be Held September 15 At Clarke

A choral reading clinic will be held at Clarke College on Sept. 15.

This event, for ministers of music across the state, is sponsored jointly by the music department at Clarke College and the Church Music Department. The sessions will be at 9:30 with registration and will conclude at 3:30 p.m. The morning session will be given to general and seasonal music and the afternoon to youth and gospel solo.

Billy Hilburn, Dallas, Texas, will be the guest director. He is presently serving as minister of music, First Church, Dallas, and is head of Crescendo Music Publishing Company.

All music will be free, except solo music, for each one attending sessions. "You must attend to receive free music. PLEASE do not ask a friend to pick up a packet for you, as we have promised the publishers that only those attending will receive the music," states Dan Hall, director, Church Music Department.

A Gospel Solo Reading Session will be included, in which each one may retain the solo music that he likes at a discount price.

These will not be rehearsal sessions, but reading sessions.

All materials will be usable. Only those publishers have been contacted who are sympathetic with the music needs of Southern Baptist churches.

There will be no evening session, and no registration fee (just cost of noon meal).

### Religion In China — — —

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that have evolved between our countries since the President's visit."

Under the section, "Family Life," the first members of the House to visit mainland China since 1949 (when the Communists took over) commented: "It is well known that few societies have as great a traditional reverence for family ties as the Chinese. From our observations, there are serious strains on this tradition in China today, and they are primarily the result of the work patterns of the parents."

"Today in China women enjoy, if that is the correct term, an equality with men. This means that they are politically and socially equal with men," including working side by side with men in the farms and factories, the Congressmen reported. They said children are taken care of in state-care facilities, where at the earliest possible moment, they are "vulnerable subjects for active political indoctrination."

### E. D. Estes' Tract To Be Translated Into 3 Languages Of India

Rev. E. D. Estes has been honored by a Southern Baptist pastor and leader, a native of Mysore State, India, who received 100 copies of his Gospel tract, "Are you Trusting Jesus for Personal Salvation? and Are You True to God's Holy Word?" Mr. Pinto requested permission to translate and print the tract into the three major languages spoken in his area in India. He also asked that Mr. Estes and his wife, Elizabeth Pickering Estes, sponsor the cost of the bill, which is approximately \$1000 in U. S. currency, for 45,000 total copies in the three languages in Mysore State.

Mr. Estes has had 110,000 copies already printed and distributed free in the United States. Although he is retired, he continues his Gospel tract ministry. He will mail free, post-paid, twenty-five copies to individuals, or to groups, who ask for them.

## Lifeway Book Store In State

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icipation of great success for the new venture.

Dr. James L. Sullivan also spoke at the dinner meeting and expressed his pleasure that the first of the new stores should be in Mississippi, and told of his hopes that the project would be so successful, that in the future such stores would be located all over America.

At the dedicatory services at the store itself on Friday evening, Mr. Jay Turner presided, scripture was read by Dr. Elmer Bailey of Memphis, and the prayer was led by Dr. Scott Tatum of Shreveport.

Mr. Thomason distributed a brochure which explained the concept of the new Lifeway stores. In part it said: Lifeway was created to make a real difference in the way people live. Can a book store do this? If so, how? We believe this can be done through the quality of products sold through the attitude of the sales personnel and through the general atmosphere of the store. People can buy anything today. Much of what is brought has a little life improving value. Much of it is not only worthless, it is harmful. But in their deep need, people buy what is offered. That is why Lifeway invests so much time in selecting the right merchandise. When you see a Lifeway symbol you know the item it is on was selected for you by people who really love people. Lifeway people know how to choose because

they have given freely of themselves to help others grow, to help people solve their problems, to help our world. Lifeway products are genuinely wholesome. They are life enriching, not life degrading. You and your family won't be embarrassed by the language pictures, but the language pictures are message of Lifeway products. Many of the products are apologetically Christian. All are selected to lead in quality way of life."

In explaining the need for Lifeway, W. O. Thomason, director of Lifeway said, "Our store ought to be in the

middle of the busy street and town." These words formed the basis for locating Lifeway in high traffic areas where people come and go daily. The physical layout of Lifeway is designed to give customers the feeling that life is full of hope, joy and expectancy. The merchandise is well organized, easy to find and attractively displayed.

"The Jackson store is one of two pilot projects which are to be opened as a test of the concept. The other store is scheduled to be located in a new shopping center being erected in Raleigh, N. C. However, the Jackson store is the first, actually to be opened.

The Jackson Lifeway store is located at the north end of the Jackson Mall. It is situated at the southwest corner of the intersection of the north hall of the mall where it meets the main north-south central hall. The store is so built that when the glass front is pushed back the entire store is opened into the mall.

A large display of books, cards and music and other religious materials is found on the attractive shelves of the new facility. Customers are free to walk through the aisles and browse among the books and materials. The customer service center is near the front entrance located for the convenience of those who are shopping.

Large crowds pressed into the store throughout the full period of its opening day, and Mr. Thomason stated that officials of the Board were highly pleased with the warm reception given the facility.



Mary Guy and John Lockhart

### Brother, Sister Ordained, Commissioned

Mary Guy Lockhart and her younger brother, John, both Jackson natives, are going into different areas of mission work. Miss Lockhart, 25, a graduate of University of Tennessee Medical Units and registered nurse, left the State on August 20 for a two-year tenure as missionary journeyman at the Baptist Hospital in Sanyati, Rhodesia.

Deciding in 1967 to go into the ministry John Lockhart graduated from Mississippi College and for two summers served in Da Nang, Vietnam, and Bangalore, India. He is now 23, and a student at Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth. "After seminary," he explains, "I am headed toward the mission field. My interest particularly lies in Asia and the Orient."

In addition to his seminary studies, he is now assistant pastor of the Harmony Baptist Church, Atoka, Oklahoma.

The brother and sister are children of Mrs. J. B. Lockhart of 1602 Myrtle St., Jackson, and the late Mr. Lockhart.

First Church, Jackson, the Lockharts' "home church," (Dr. Larry Rohman, pastor), held a special service August 13 ordaining John and commissioning Mary Guy. Dr. W. Douglas Hodgins and Dr. Chester Swor were featured speakers.

### Graham Films Can Be Shown In Churches

Sherman Barnette, film evangelist with Billy Graham Films, reports a good response to the dramatic film, FOR PETE'S SAKE. "People have laughed and cried through this movie," he says. "When the invitation was given many responded and made their definite commitments to Christ."

THE TOKYO CRUSADE is now available for Sunday morning showings. This film is 28 minutes in length. It features a personal word of witness from English "pop" star, Cliff Richard, and the American League's Bobby Richardson as well as a message by Mr. Graham. Churches interested in either of these films should contact: Sherman Barnette, Box 543, Elliott, Ms. 38926 (601-226-5096).

### Speaker At Ridgcrest Tells Group To 'Save Sunday Evening'

RIDGECREST, N. C. (BP) — "Many church members no longer feel a sense of loyalty to Sunday as a holy day," Philip B. Harris told more than 6,000 Southern Baptists during two weeks at Ridgcrest Baptist Conference Center.

"Commercialism, sports, recreation, entertainment and leisure time claim their attention," said Harris, secretary of the church training department for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville. "Attendance at church meetings no longer seems to be a necessary standard for judging the loyalty of church members," he added.

Speaking during the Church Training Leadership Conference here, Harris called on Southern Baptists "to reclaim Sunday night for Christ and his church."

"Sunday evening," said Harris, "is a time to enlarge and enrich church training, support Sunday evening worship, emphasize inspirational music preaching."

Illustrating the potential for the use of Sunday night, Harris told the conferees that "the entertainment world believes that Sunday night is right for its activities. The business interests recognize that Sunday night is a good time to make money. Professional sports and utilizing Sunday night to their advantage."

"Churches can do more to interest

people in worship and training," said Harris. "Sunday night is just as sacred as Sunday morning. The Lord's Day can be used for spiritual purposes. . . . With the breakdown in the home and with the declining religious emphasis in the schools, it is imperative that we utilize Sunday night for Christian training."

He charged that there is increasing evidence that many Americans maintain church membership as a status symbol.

"The churches must counteract the evil forces and godlessness of our day," he declared. "Children, youth and adults need training on Sunday night which will challenge them to Christian living and service. It is time to demonstrate the vitality and aggressiveness of New Testament Christianity as never before."

According to Harris, the Southern Baptist Church Training program for 1972-73 and 1973-74 will revolve around the theme "Church . . . the Sunday Night Place."

### Houston Baptists Elect Brumley Coordinator

HOUSTON (BP) — Union Baptist Association, covering most of greater Houston, has named C. Wilson Brumley of Atlanta as its metropolitan missions coordinator.

### "Spireno" Coming To Jackson

"Spireno" (Spiritual Revolution Now) is coming to Jackson September 10-15.

The crusade team of eleven includes the well-known preacher, Richard Hogue, who has been called "God's Man for the Now Generation."

Services for Sunday, September 10, will be held at the sponsoring church, First Baptist, Jackson, at 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., and 7 p.m. September 11-15 services will be held at the City Auditorium in Jackson at 7 p.m.

All young people of Jackson and surrounding areas are invited and encouraged to attend, according to Derrell Murphree, director of youth activities at First Church, and general chairman for the crusade, and Dr. Larry Rohman, pastor.

Although 60% of the audience at "Spireno" is usually teen-agers, adults also find Mr. Hogue's messages timely and appealing.

Darcie Hodges will direct the music, and his wife, Sharon, will play the piano. A musical group of five persons, "The Dove" (formerly known as the "3-N-One" when there were only three singers in the group), will be featured singers.

All counselors during the crusade will be adults. Rev. Joe McKeever, minister of evangelism at First Church, has enlisted 150 adult counselors who will be on hand at each service. These men and women have been in a training program for counseling.

During the 16 weeks that "Spireno" was in Houston, Texas, there were 5,000 professions of faith.

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica — The Costa Rica Baptist Theological Institute recently held the first of an annual lecture series named in memory of Hoke Smith Jr. Smith was a Southern Baptist missionary to Latin America for 18 years prior to his death in 1970.

### Florida Baptists Expand Lake Yale Assembly Area

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (BP) — The State Board of Missions for the Florida Baptist Convention here has purchased an additional 84 acres of land adjacent to Lake Yale Baptist Assembly near Leesburg, Fla.

According to Paul W. Glore, director of the camps and assemblies department for the convention, the additional property will be used for rough-type camping. Spaces will be provided for tents and trailers. Negotiations for purchase of the property have been in progress for a year and half, following approval for the expansion by the 1971 Florida Baptist Convention.

### National Hospital Group Picks Baptist As Its Chairman

NASHVILLE (BP) — Gene Kidd, president of the Baptist Hospital here, has been chosen as chairman-elect of the American College of Hospital Administrators.

Another Baptist hospital administrator, Frank Groner of Memorial Baptist Hospital in Memphis, was president of the American College of Hospital Administrators from 1967-68.



# What You Can Do Concerning Communism

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There were 100,000 clergymen in the Russian church in 1917. Very shortly after that 80,000 of them were killed. They were the lucky ones. The others went to hell — either to the hell of a Siberian concentration camp or torture chamber, or they became collaborators with the beast and now are in an eternal hell. But with the enemy at the gate they raised no warning.

## The Rod Fell On Israelites

So, ignore it! It can't happen here! That's a familiar tree. "God wouldn't let it happen here! This is Christian America!" God let it happen to His people, the Israelites. The rod fell. There were Christians in Rumania; there were Christians in Yugoslavia; there were Christians in all of these nations who were saying, "It can't happen here. God wouldn't let it happen here." There were Christians in East Germany; there were Christians in Wittenberg, the seat of the Protestant Reformation, who said, "We're the people of God. He wouldn't let it happen here." But I've been to Communist Wittenberg and it has happened there.

There are others who say, "Well, yes, God would let it happen here. But we won't let it happen here. Not with our might! Not with the strength of America!" There was a book written within the past ten years called *American Might and Soviet Myth*. It showed the relative military strength of America and Russia; that Russia was absolutely no threat to us whatsoever. I remember one quote from Admiral Arleigh Burke who said, "We could break her back." And he meant it, and he knew it, and he was right. But we couldn't today! The American might is now the myth. We have been unilaterally disarmed to the most staggering degree. As the February 1971 *Reader's Digest* put it: "Our strategic arms advantage is not fading — it has gone."

Others say, "They're not foolish enough to start a nuclear war and destroy all of these cities and all of this great industrial potential. They would never do that!" Would they not? I agree that they wouldn't destroy the cities and the industrial might of America. They have no such plan. Their plan very simply is to aim their rockets and multiple-head missiles not at our cities, but at our missile emplacements. They can utterly wipe out our Minutemen, hardened through they may be in their silos. What if you wake up one morning, turn on the radio, and hear that 92% of American atomic power has been destroyed in the last four minutes! What then? Do we fight them with our bare hands?

We have for the last several years adopted a "Maginot Line" attitude that the French had. They had bigger guns than the world had ever seen before trained on Germany to blow all of that country half way into Siberia. But then the Germans invented a few new twists. They simply landed behind the guns and wiped them out. The article states that the entire Minutemen force of America could be destroyed in a matter of a few minutes. The axe has been laid to the root of that tree. I'm afraid, my friends, that we have been betrayed and disarmed.

Then there are those who would say, "The thing to do is to compromise with them. They're reasonable people and we can work out solutions; we can enter into treaties." Did you hear that just this week we signed another treaty with the Russians? Isn't that wonderful! We have signed it! We have accomplished it! The Senate Judiciary Committee in 1955 stated that scores of treaties have been made by the Russians with all sorts of nations and they have broken their word to every single nation with which they have signed a promise. We've signed another treaty with them! We signed a treaty with people who do not even bother to read

the treaties that they sign because they haven't the slightest intentions of keeping them. Lenin said that there must be no relationship between diplomacy and action. For us diplomacy is a part of peace, for them it is a part of war. Peaceful coexistence!

Other people say, "Certainly we couldn't be so offensive to them because we're becoming so much more like a welfare state; we're adopting so much socialism and certainly that to appease them." Khrushchev says that a state - controlled, capitalistic welfare state is an abomination to them of the worst kind. It must not be taken over; it must be destroyed; it must be shattered completely. Peaceful coexistence? One expert in the field said this: "How do you maintain peaceful coexistence with cancer? It is just exactly what cancer would like . . . not the knife! Please sir! We will coexist, you and I . . . but the malignancy continues to spread."

There are those who say, "If it's that bad we've got to surrender! Now before you decide wholly how much better that it is to be Red I would suggest that you look at a collection of pictures of Communism at work. I took them from my files and mounted them on the bulletin board in the hall off the Narthex. It is called a Pictorial Review of Communism in Action in East Europe, in nations which one day thought it could never happen and the next day there came the horror, the terror, the nightmare, the hell. I challenge you to look at them. You will never ever forget them."

Mr. Romppanen, an expert in the field of Communism for thirty years from East Europe who presented those pictures to the Congress of the United States, is preparing pictures, authenticating all of them very carefully, to present on the Communist atrocities in Red China, which he said make even these to pale by comparison. And yet we want to admit China to the United Nations — to the fellowship of the civilized! This is sort of the same philosophy as those who say the best way to reform the brute is to marry him.

What alternative is there? There is only one and that is this: Destroy Communism. Notice, I said to destroy Communism — I didn't say to destroy Communists. As Christians we are to love the Russian people. Many were astonished when Pastor Wurmbbrand said that fourteen years of Communist tortures every other day, which left his body marked with all sorts of incredible scars, were not able to cause him to stop loving Communists. He loves every Communist on the face of the earth but he hates the vile, unpeakable horror called Communism, that malignancy which is destroying the earth. We are to love the people. But if we have any love for people we will see that the cancer needs to be destroyed.

I have no question in my mind, after studying this for many years, that Communism is without any doubt the worst evil that has ever come upon this world. The Communists have killed more people in peace time than have been killed in war time in all of the wars that have ever been fought, by all of the nations of this world, throughout all of history since the beginning of time. In East Europe and Russia 35,000,000 people have been killed. There are millions of Christians right this day in Soviet concentration camps in Russia alone. It has been estimated by those who have escaped that 50,000,000 people have been killed inside of China. The amazing thing is that they have managed to keep people almost completely oblivious of these facts. Khrushchev, when he narrated the fact of the Ukrainians and the massacre of some 6,000,000 Ukrainians, laughed at the deed.

How are we to destroy Communism? We are to do so by mounting a positive offensive. I don't mean by un-

leasing our missiles but rather an offensive against the minds of men—a psychological, philosophical, political, semantic, economic and, most of all, a theological offensive against Communism. We must destroy it. We cannot contain it anymore than we can contain cancer. Mr. Romppanen said that it must be destroyed, exterminated, excised, or it will destroy us. There is no other alternative.

How is this to be done? First of all, by learning about it. He says we must behold the awful truth about Communism. We have been fed and filled with so many lies in this country with the result that we are abysmally ignorant concerning this. Most people have only the most distorted ideas about the greatest evil that the world has ever faced, the greatest enemy that Christianity has ever faced. We are to learn what it is; to behold it. We are not just to realize that it is something unpleasant, that it is something that is going to disturb us. It is going to disturb you more when they knock on your door. A lady said to me at the door last week, "You frighten me." I said, "They won't just frighten you." I saw a picture this week of a Christian who would not recant, who would not give up his faith in Christ. He was holding his ears as the Communists beat his little child to death before his eyes. That, too, would be unpleasant. We need to grasp what Communism really is.

You are going to find when you begin to get involved with this that you are dealing with something that is a horrible thing to behold. You are going to find that opposition is going to mount against you. I have felt it every time I have preached on it. You are going to find that there will be those who will say, "Oh, my, my, my. We shouldn't talk about that." I have already had said to me this week: "You shouldn't preach about Communism; you should preach Christ." Listen, quote: "Preach Christ. Don't preach about Communism," unquote. Do you know who said that? The N.K.V.D., the Secret Police of Russia. Those are the parting words given by the Secret Police to Pastor Richard Wurmbbrand when finally his release was purchased by Norway and he was leaving the Soviet countries. "Preach Christ," said the Soviet Secret Police, "but don't talk about Communism." This is like preaching Christ without talking about sin. Here is godless atheism; here is total immorality; here is truth inverted; here is the opposite of every virtue that we know. We read in the Word that we are to expose evil; that we are to bring it to the light; that we are to expose it. *It is much better just to always be positive . . . it is much better!* But what will I say in that day when my congregation is taken away? "What did you do, pastor, to prevent this?"

## Communitistic Tactic

Then there is the tactic of the Communists themselves for those who would get involved. They have a very clearly defined way of dealing with these persons. It is called the "argumentum ad hominem." I have already had it reported to me this week. Again it has been used. It is simply this: You present fifty to a hundred facts about Communism; they ignore all of the facts — and they attack the arguer. It is this: In some way discredit the speaker — don't answer the arguments! Smear him! Libel him! Distort him! Invent lies! He's a homosexual . . . he's a radical . . . he's a rightist of some sort . . . he's obviously a member of the John Birch Society! (I want to tell you right now I've never been a joiner. If you want to check carefully you will find that I was a member of a fraternity in college for a brief while, and back thirty or so years you will find that I was also a boy scout. Other than that I never joined anything.) So they will just have to smear me for myself. But don't let them deceive you. Make them face

the arguments. Let them answer those pictures.

Really learn about Communism. Someone asked, "What is a simple answer? In ten years or less tell me how we are going to stop Communism this week." There is no such thing. Winston Churchill said that Communism is an enigma wrapped in a mystery wrapped in a riddle. It is the genius of Communism that is highly complex. It is a hydra-headed monster. It appears in a thousand faces and forms and different ways. It is this complexity about it that will cause the decadent, stupid bourgeoisie to not take the pains to learn about it say the Communists. It means that we are going to have to study it and it takes a long time. But if you are convinced that here you have the beast at the door, you will take the time to learn. You will start reading. You might start by reading J. Edgar Hoover's books on Communism.

Do you know what the Aesopian language (taken from *Aesop's Fables*) of Communism is? They have a language of their own which makes it difficult to understand them unless you know this Aesopian language which has one meaning for the bourgeoisie and another meaning for the proletariat; one for the Communists; one for the non-Communist. For example, the word "peace." What does peace mean? To us peace means cessation of war. That is obvious. And so the Communist leader Kosygin stands up and says, "We are for peace." And we stupid Americans say, "Ah, isn't that wonderful!" But what is the Aesopian meaning of "peace" to a Communist? First of all, you have to understand that the Communists are at war. They have been at war since Marx began the Communist movement and since it was organized by Lenin. They are always engaged in a red-hot war. It is a war from which they must never cease in all of their strivings for one moment to bring absolutely to its knees, to bring crashing down the last vestiges of capitalism and religion and to install the Communist state over all of the world. There will never, ever be any peace until the last religionist and the last capitalist lies mutilated in his grave. Therefore, they say, "We believe in peace," which is another way of saying as Khrushchev said, "We will bury you." It is the peace of your grave that they believe in. And what do we do? We pick up their propaganda, swallow it hook line and sinker, and say, "Yes sir, so do we. Peace, brother." And they laugh!

What does "liberate" mean? You say, "It means to set free." But to a Communist to liberate is to enslave! George Orwell says in his book *1984*, "The Communist world, that it is a world turned upside down, where war is peace, freedom is slavery, virtue is vice, and truth is a lie—the whole world, a godless world, standing on its head."

We need to know Communism intimately before we can do anything about it. Too many people learn a little bit about it and they run out like a fanatic only to get themselves cut down in a hurry. We need to understand exactly what it is and calmly go about dealing with it. We need to know their goals. The Communists have said, "We disdain to conceal our objectives." It is beneath them to conceal them. They will tell us exactly what they are going to do to us but we won't take the time to read it. Unless you know what the stated goals of Communism are you won't know what they are doing.

## One Expert Speaks

One expert on Communism said that the most minute understanding of what Communist activity is on any given week, or day or month, will by no means tell you what Communism is trying to do. You could right now scrutinize what Communism is doing all over the world and you would find all Asia they are using a different tactic than in South America. In



## Look, Uncle Sam, No Cavities!

To promote attendance at a conference on "Christian Morality and National Politics" at Glorieta Assembly, Floyd Craig of Nashville donned an Uncle Sam suit and walked around the assembly grounds handing out copies of the conference program. Craig, public relations director for the SBC Christian Life Commission, soon found himself mobbed by little children wanting to talk with "Uncle Sam." So many, he said, that he can't remember the name of the little girl who proudly told him, "Look, no cavities!" PS: Attendance at the conference jumped from 90 on the first night to 150 on the second night, forcing the conference to move to a larger meeting room. (BP) Photo by Grady Nutt

Africa they may be doing something completely different and here they may be going another direction—and you conclude: where are the Communists trying to go? They're trying to go that way (just the opposite!) But that is the dialectic. Right at the moment they happen to be zigging but soon they will be zagging. They will change their tactic completely and leave the average American completely befuddled because he has never taken the time to study what they are going to do.

For example, what is the Communist attitude about nationalism? Are they in favor of it or against it? The answer: Communism is in favor of nationalism. Communism went all over Africa and various Asian countries building up the fires of nationalism to throw off the colonist Europeans. But in America it is a different story. They are deathly opposed to nationalism (patriotism which they call nationalism). It is a one-worldism that they want. A world where we turn over our sovereignty to the United Nations and the World Court. If it weren't for the Connally Amendment right now you could find yourself before the World Court being judged by Communist judges. How many of us are even aware of that? How many of us are aware of the tremendous efforts that have been made to repeal the Connally Amendment?

We need to know Communism. We need to understand it. And next we need to do something about it. What can we do? First of all we can stop helping it. I talked to a volunteer worker recently in an anti-Communist book store. She was telling me about anti-Communism. I said, "That's very interesting." I asked her about her church. The church she had been going to all her life was a church that was actively supporting in every way the National Council of Churches and World Council of Churches. I asked her if she realized that hundreds of thousands of dollars has been given by the World Council to support all sorts of Communist revolutionary activities around the world. She didn't understand this. Then she told me that personally she doesn't go for this supernatural type of religion. She has read *Renan's Life of Jesus* and that most appeals to her. I said, "That is an anti-supernatural, rationalistic, naturalistic approach to religion. If you will read the Communist line on religion you will find that is exactly the party line: reduce religion from the supernatural to the natural; change it from the true Gospel to the social gospel; make a social-activistic movement that they can simply guide and

twist to do their work for them. She is giving her volunteer time in an anti-Communist book store while on the other hand she is supporting them.

**Supported By Non-Communists**  
Communism has been supported and financed by non-Communists from the very beginning. If it weren't for our money and our help they would have collapsed a long time ago. How many people have in their wills colleges which are so infiltrated by Communists today that they are becoming bulwarks of espionage to get this country in revolution. Some churches and other organizations are also supported in this way. We need to stop supporting them.

We need to take positive action against Communism — psychological, philosophical, theological. Communism is not a matter of men's bodies; Communism is concerned for men's minds. Notice the leaders of Communism. Did they become Communists out working in a field? Why Karl Marx hardly ever did a day of work in his whole life! If there was one thing he couldn't stand it was work. He was converted to Communism in the University of Berlin where he was studying Hegel and Feuerbach. Stalin became a Communist while studying at a theological seminary. Mao Tse-tung became a Communist while studying at a foreign university. It is the mind that the Communists would enslave. Read their writings and you will see that it is the theory . . . it is the brainwashing of the theory . . . it is the mind that must be captured by Communism.

How do we deal with it? It is a multi-faceted, hydra-headed monster that everyone of us must deal with in its own way. There must be a many-pronged approach to it. Whoever you are, whatever you are doing, in your sphere of influence, you can work against it — if you understand it.

Are you a teacher? Really learn it and help other teachers to understand it, and teach your students. Are you a parent? Then how about your children? How many Christian parents send children to colleges where their faith is going to be destroyed and they are going to be turned out as absolute revolutionaries. Your children ought to be in a Christian school if you are a Christian. If your children are in a public school you ought to be in the P. T. A. and find out what is going on. Form committees and study the textbooks that are being studied, especially history and the social sciences. Find out how many history books have been rewritten to distort and pervert America and to twist the lives of the founders of this country.

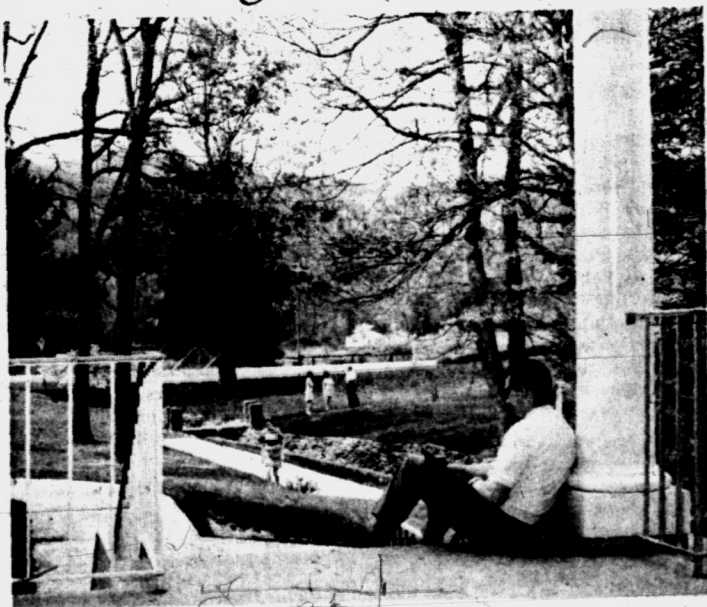
Maybe you are just a neighbor. Well let me say this. A good many years ago a woman gave me a book on Communism. He wasn't particularly concerned and knew next to nothing about it. He read that book and became concerned. At one time he gave a message on Communism that has been given to tens of thousands of people around the country. He is giving you another message on Communism right now, for I am that man. A woman gave me a book. What have you given your neighbor?

If you are a student then you are the prime number one object of the Communist conspiracy. It is the student mind that they are after. There has never been such a diabolical, such a cunning, such a clever plot in all the history of the world to distort and twist your mind and understanding, to conceal from you facts by the thousands and give you distorted facts to make you believe something which is not true. I haven't found one person who is under 25 in the last several weeks who was able to answer the question: Who was Alger Hiss? If you don't know who he is you better really get busy!

Some young persons say, "Well, I'm just a liberal. I believe everybody ought to have a chance to express their opinions. That's why I'm for this type of thing. Let them speak." Let me tell you this: there are no liberals

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## Ridgecrest: 1972



RIDGECREST BAPTIST ASSEMBLY—The assembly is located 18 miles east of Asheville, N. C., in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Owned and operated by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, this conference center is operated all year. A summer program for Southern Baptists emphasizes church conferences, youth activities, mission studies and leadership training sessions.—(BSSB Photo)



Dining Hall — Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly



Rear view of Pritchell Hall.



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## EDITORIAL

### Mississippi Has A Baptist "First"

Baptist history was made in Jackson on Saturday, August 26.

On that day the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention opened at the Jackson Mall shopping center, the first or pilot store, in a new type of bookstores which it now is projecting.

A number of officials of the Sunday School Board, along with some state pastors and leaders, were present for the dedicatory service on Friday evening and for the ribbon cutting ceremony on Saturday morning.

The retail outlet, which carries the name Lifeway Stores, embodies a new concept in merchandising adopted as part of its program by the Sunday School Board.

The stores differ from the Baptist Book Stores in that the latter largely are oriented for the serving of the churches, while the new stores are aimed primarily at the general public. Of course, the service is overlapping, since the older stores certainly serve the public, and the new stores will serve the churches and especially their members.

Lifeway stores will not actually be in competition with the older stores which will continue to be operated exactly as in the past. The new stores will not carry supplies for church minis-

tries, and the many specialized materials now found in the regular book stores. Neither will the churches order from the new stores.

Instead, Lifeway stores are to be located only in shopping centers and malls where large numbers of shoppers gather, and the stores are designed to serve the general public with outstanding religious and general books, cards, and other materials, all related to the highest type of living. They will seek to project the message of Christ simply through provision for the public of outstanding, lifegiving, Christian materials.

Dr. James L. Sullivan, Executive Secretary-Treasurer for the Sunday School Board, who was present for the opening of the new facility, stated that there is hope that this type of store will prove to be so successful, that they can be placed in shopping centers all over the nation. "We can hope that the day might come when there could be a thousand such stores serving the public all across America."

Mississippi is honored that Jackson should be chosen as the location of one of the two "pilot" stores in the project, and that it should be the site of the opening of the very first of the stores. Plans are under way to establish another in a city in North Carolina. The selection of the Jackson Mall as

a location, means that the store has been placed in one of the largest shopping areas in the mid-South. Thousands of persons visit this mall each day, providing large numbers of potential customers for such a store.

On the opening day last Saturday, large crowds of people visited the store, and from the ribbon cutting which opened the store at 10:00 a. m., until the closing time at 9:30 p. m. there was hardly a moment when numerous persons were not browsing through the attractive display areas, and that they were buying was evidenced by the busy cash-register at the customer service area near the entrance.

One of the features of the new facility will be the fact that it is open at night, so that many of those whose work makes it impossible for them to visit the regular Book Store in day-time hours, will be able to come to this one. One of the reasons that shopping malls are popular is their "after-hour" shopping.

We are highly pleased, as we are sure are all Mississippi Baptists that the first Lifeway store is located in Jackson, and we predict for it the blessing of God and a success which will encourage the Sunday School Board to move forward in its plans to establish many other such stores in other shopping centers across the nation.



In Readiness

### What You Can Do - - -

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in Russia; there are no liberals in Communist China. The first people to be destroyed in any society taken over are the liberals because there is no free speech nor free press in a Communist land.

If you are just a citizen (as we all are and that is a great privilege) really learn where the candidates stand, especially for Congress, and put men in office who are truly Americans and really patriots who are going to stand for this country. You can write letters to newspapers. Maybe you have some money. You can start a weekly newspaper and put in it articles of men who really stand for the truths of America. Find out what the issues are.

There are the captive nations, the "Achilles' heel" of Communism, who must be kept subjugated by thousands of troops stationed by the Russians all over the world. With just a little bit of encouragement these nations could be enabled to overthrow their Russian masters.

#### You Can Pray

If you are a Christian you can pray. How few Christians pray for people who are enslaved by Communists all around the world. If you are a Christian you can witness. Ultimately Communism is a fight against Christianity. It is anti-God; it is anti-Christ. And one way or the other, either the doctrines of Christ and His Gospel will control the minds of men or the anti-religious doctrines of Marx will. We have been given a Commission to witness by Christ. Any Christian who has continually disobeyed the Great Commission and not witnessed for Christ as He commands us to do is just challenging God to turn him over into the hands of people whose minds have been captivated by those who were not afraid to witness for their ungodly beliefs. It is about time that Christians stood up and were willing to take some knocks for their faith instead of making all sorts of excuses why they can't do it.

If you are not a Christian then you had better repent. It is the evil, the sin, the immorality, the indecency, the lying, cheating, covetousness and bigotry of this land that is causing the rod of God to be lifted over us at this very time. I am sure that unless this nation repents and turns to God that all of the military might in the world could not stop that rod from falling.

If you are not a Christian, then may I say that in Mark's back yard there is another tree. In the back yard of the Gospel of Mark, toward the end, there is a tree called Calvary. And hanging on that tree is the Son of God Who came and died for us that we might be forgiven and cleansed. He offers us this promise that if we by faith would cling to that tree that we should never truly die; that we should know that we have eternal life; that we can face even the end of this world without fear.

#### PRAYER

O God, Thou who hast loved us even in spite of the unspeakable cruelties of man against man, cause us to look unto Jesus Christ and see Him who there on the Cross descended into Hell for us that we might be spared. By faith let us turn to Him and by faith let us rise up as men of God and overthrow the ungodliness of this world's system that Jesus Christ might be made known and glorified and worshipped around the world. Amen.



### A Woman's World Reaches Far Beyond the Ironing Board

Wilda Fancher

Summer may be gone, but summer weather got left behind.

I speak for patience this week. Maybe it would be clearer to say that I speak on behalf of patience this week. Patience, that necessity of life which runs out even more often than the bread and milk.

The ding-a-ling you hear all along now is not the neighborhood dum-dum; it's the school bell. Mine has rung for us teachers every day this week. We have worked in our rooms, unable to believe they are as hot as they are, wondering if they will be bearable when they are filled with people. When we turn on fans to stir the hot air a little, the pupils can scarcely hear us above them. They only pull in hot air, anyway (the fans, not the students listening to us teachers.)

Only a few brief hours in the room saps my energies and affects my mental performance. Though quite some years separate my students and me, they are proportionately affected physically and mentally by the excessive heat.

The next few weeks will be difficult for families, making the adjustment from summer to school. The heat will compound the difficulty. Patience will be necessary. Getting enough rest should take second place to nothing else.

Teachers will have a hard time in our hot class rooms with rested, well-fed pupils. Sleepy ones will be impossible. Days can't be shortened, so nights should be lengthened to physically refresh the pupils.

Johnny Carson or the late movie will not contribute nearly as much to young lives as their classroom education and their school activities.

What a teacher accomplishes with your child is strictly limited by the frame of mind you get your child to school in. We can't do much for a tired, hungry pupil. A full night's rest and a square meal can't be challenged as your two best contributions as a parent. Even then, he'll get tired at school and will need a double portion of your patience, as well as a snack, when he comes home.

Who was it that said, "If summer comes, can fall be far behind"? For a few weeks we'll probably say, "Yes, way far behind."

The difference between a prejudice and a conviction is that you explain a conviction without getting angry.

Be not simple good—be good for something.

Don't call the world dirty because you have forgotten to clean your glasses.

The Bible contains the vitamins of soul health.

A man without religion is like a horse without a bridle.

Men who know the least always argue the most.

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### The "Failure" Of Organized Religion

A statement in a "cover-page" article in the current issue of Time magazine presents what well should be considered as a strong indictment of the church.

In discussing "Teen-Age sex," Time quotes Social Critic Michael Harrington as saying, "One of the great facts about our culture is the breakdown of organized religion and the disappearance of the inhibitions that religion once placed around sexual relationships." Time adds, "Sociologists have found an inverse relationship between churchgoing and sexual experimentation: the less of the former, the more of the latter."

The "less" they go to the church, the "more" they become involved in sex. What is true of sex, surely also is true of other immoral acts. We thought of this statement on last Wednesday night, as we watched the "Yippies" and "Hippies" and other young people, rioting in the streets of Miami Beach. We wondered how many of those young people had any type of relationship with a real Bible believing, Bible preaching church. We use this qualification, since we have read of some so-called churches which approve of and even promote violence. We simply do not believe that many, if any, young people who have grown up under the influence of a Bible believing church, would become involved in immorality, rebellion, or other non-Christian activities.

What an indictment is the Time quoted statement concerning the "breakdown of organized religion." Where is there a breakdown in organized religion? The answer is easy to find. Only recently a new book has appeared which tells us where that breakdown is. In Why Conservative Churches are Growing by Albert Outler, a Methodist, the author reveals that while mainline denominations are losing ground rapidly, the conservative "churches" are growing. He includes

Southern Baptists among the conservative churches. This writer, and many others who have written in recent years, show clearly that when a denomination rejects the inspiration and authority of the Bible and begins to preach a watered down gospel it immediately begins to lose influence and ground. One has only to look at the records of some of the large modern denominations to see the truth of this. When liberalism takes over, decline and decay set in. One could give many examples. They have been delineated in recent studies for all to see.

Is this what the Time quoted writer is talking about when he speaks of the "breakdown of organized religion?" It must be, since only these denominations are in decline. The conservative churches are alive and active.

Moreover, in the Southern Baptist churches, which are among the conservatives, are some of the finest young people's groups to be found anywhere in the world. Wherever we have visited these churches, both in this state and in others, we have found aggressive youth programs, and youth involvement in the church programs. Certainly, we are not naive enough to believe that none of these youth ever become involved in doing things they should not do, but we are certain that those who do become so involved are a minority and not a majority, and that few of them, at least of those who have become active in the churches, and whose families are positively Christian and active in the churches, get involved with the wrong crowds.

Time's statement that "the less" church going, the "more" experimenting with sex, also is a challenge. Never, surely never, has this nation more needed churches that stand for the truth of God's word, and Christian families which bring up their children within the program of a conservative church.

### Laborers Together With God

Next Monday, Labor Day, our nation salutes labor and laboring people. We gladly join in a salute to laboring people, for without those who toil, we would not have a nation or even a civilization. The Bible is very clear in its recognition of the place of labor in man's life, and of the necessity for it in a sound society.

However, I would remind our Christian people, of the fact that all of us are laborers, not only working with our hands to earn a livelihood, but even more importantly, we are "laborers together with God" in spiritual things.

We are "laborers together with God," says Paul in the third chapter of I Corinthians. What a tremendous statement is this! God allows us, and not only allows us, but also commands us to be laborers with Him in His kingdom. What a privilege! What an honor! What a responsibility!

We labor for Him in His churches, and in His kingdom program as it reaches beyond the churches... in the denomination, in the world about us. We have talents which He has given us, and we have our very lives. With our minds, with our hands, with our bodies, with our voices, and with all that we are we serve Him, and as we do we are workers in his vineyard.

Jesus said, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work." How true are these words for us. Today we are here, but tomorrow we have laid our tools of labor down. What we are going to do for God, we must do now! There may be no tomorrow, as far as our labor in this world is concerned.

Upon this "Labor Day" let us remind ourselves of how important it is that we be laboring today for our Lord!

If solution is to be found, it will have to come from the two nations themselves and not from outside interference. He says that the best thing that the outsider can do is to encourage the Jew and the Arab to accept one another.

Life Is Tremendous by Charles E. Jones (Tyndale, 107 pp., pocketbook paperback, \$1.25) New printing of a book which was published in 1968. Here is a message from a man who is known as Charles "Tremendous" Jones and these are his messages on living and leadership. They are the words of a star salesman to tell individuals that "enthusiasm makes the difference."

The Touch Of The Master's Hand by Charles L. Allen (Spire Books, Revell, 128 pp., pocketbook paperback \$3.95) A pocketbook edition of a book published a number of years ago written by the outstanding Methodist pastor, Charles L. Allen. Here are a series of studies of miracles in the New Testament. The author shows what happened when Christ's touch came to individual and things in the New Testament. Twenty-two miraculous events are studied and application is made to their meaning to our living today.

Somebody Called 'Doc' by Zola Levitt (Creation House, 164 pp., \$3.95) The story of Doc Eshleman who achieved recognition as the founder of Bible Town in Boca Raton, Fla. and then when retirement came began to work among pro football players. He now is referred to as "the unofficial chaplain of the sports world." This book tells of his experience.

Much More! by Jack R. Taylor (Broadman, 160 pp., \$4.95) The subtitle reads the spirit filled sequel to the key to triumphant living. This is a reference to Brother Taylor's first book which he told of how a new understanding of the power of the Holy Spirit in filling the Christian life completely changed his life and ministry. In this book, the author who is pastor of Castle Hills First Baptist Church in San Antonio, Texas discusses other matters related to spirit filled living. The texts and subjects which are used are sometimes unusual, but the approach is thrilling and challenging. This book is another edition to the great revival of spiritual interest which is sweeping across the Southern Baptist Convention. One can hardly read this book without doing some deep searching and reedification which should bring a new day in his life. We can thank God for men like Jack Taylor who are pointing Southern Baptists to a new spiritual level of living.

Extra Spiritual Power by Don Gilmore (Word, 166 pp., \$3.95) The author who is pastor of a congregational church in Spokane, Washington challenges Christians to take a second look at their Christian living and that the things God has provided for them in spiritual living. He says that God has provided a way for the church to meet the needs of this age and to develop spiritual power in witness to it.

The Arab Israel Struggle by Charles F. Pfeiffer (Baker, 112 pp., paper, pocketbook size, \$3.95) The author traces some of the history of the Jews and the Arabs and points up situations which have brought the current crisis. The author apparently feels that

#### NEWEST BOOKS

##### EPITAPHS FOR EAGER PREACHERS

by J. D. Grey (Broadman, 126 pp.) Few men among Southern Baptists in recent years have had a better sense of humor, or were more able to use it in presenting truth, than Dr. J. D. Grey, long pastor of First Baptist Church, New Orleans. In this book, Dr. Grey uses this ability along with another of using sarcasm to present truth, to help preachers look at themselves and their ministry. This is a fun book because it includes many of the great stories which Dr. Grey has used, or heard others use, but also it is a book of truth which will prick many a preacher into taking a closer look at himself and his ministry. Even the chapter titles are provocative as Dr. Grey takes an imaginary "Tour of the cemetery" to see what might be written on some preacher's tombstones: "He died climbing"; "He Fit a Good Fight, but..."; "He Shot at Every Rabbit"; "His Halo Was Tight"; and others just as inviting. In the messages Dr. Grey looks at the preachers lives, their ministry, their preaching, their leadership, their study, their relationships with others, their personalities, etc. With clear application, and humorous illustration, he brings truth home. Dr. Grey loves preachers, and the things he says in this book are meant to help them see themselves as others see them, and then to encourage them to make their lives what God wants and the world needs. Preachers will find special blessing in reading this book, but lay readers will enjoy it just as much, for they will see themselves in its pages too, and will find in it many a good laugh. But they also will remember its clearly enunciated truths.



# Christian Service Corps: Ministries For Those With Special Skills

## Two Baptist Musts

By Robert Witty, President  
Luther Rice Seminary

The Calvary Baptist Church has convened a council to examine James Thomas. Thomas has been called to pastor the Pine Level Baptist Church. Early in the examination the candidate, a mature layman with four children, explained to the council that his education ceased after two years in college.

Dr. James Allen, a seminary graduate and pastor of the First Baptist Church, observed kindly but firmly, "A call to preach is a call to prepare. What do you intend to do, Brother Thomas, to complete your training?"

The facts indicate such great failure that constructive change is demanded.

First, the failure needs honest recognition. Too long have Southern Baptists pointed with pride toward major educational accomplishments and ignored the sad lack. After 115 years of the present educational program, Southern Baptists must confess to 6,000 pastors with no college training, 10,000 pastors with no college degree, 15,000 pastors with no seminary training, 20,000 with no seminary degree. Let us face up to the fact that our present system has resulted in only one third of our pastors with even a basic, seminary training. Moreover, under the limitations set by the American Association of Theological Schools, only small fraction of the untrained could be admitted to our seminary campuses.

To meet this need, Seminary Extension courses, offer a carefully prepared correspondence program. It is a denominational recognition that a large number of pastors cannot leave their employment to go back to class. Now fully accredited by the Home Study Council, Seminary Extension deserves wider participation. One of the weaknesses of this program is the limitation imposed by the denominational agency and now by the accrediting group that many consider the final recognition as a "glorified study course diploma."

To meet this need requires that our denomination recognize the growing movement known in secular education as the Open University. The academic and the industrial have accepted and applied the procedures of independent study as the education becomes universally available. Religion must follow the growing trend. Luther Rice Seminary, Jacksonville, Fla., is pioneering in this movement. Others must follow if the terrible handicap of untrained pastors is to be changed. The present program, effective as it is, must be augmented by the Seminary Without Walls.

The untrained must be trained, but the denomination must offer an acceptable and feasible program.

These are two Baptist musts.

## Scriptures Are Now Printed In 1,457 Languages

NEW YORK, N. Y. (EP) — Twenty-six more languages and dialects last year were added to the list having at least one book of the Bible, making a total of 1,457 since the invention of printing in the 15th century.

Receiving the Scriptures in their tongue in 1971 were such groups as Finnish gypsies who speak Romany, Bantu tribesmen in Manitoba (Southwest Africa) who speak Dhimba, Eskimos in Alaska who speak a dialect bearing the name of their locale — the Kobuk River, and Montagnards in Vietnam who speak Chrau.

The 1971 report, issued by the United Bible Societies, said countries with first-time complete Bibles in previously listed languages include: Angola — Chokwe; Cameroun — Bassa and Beti; and India — the Angami dialect of Naga.

## Adams To Lead Music Conferences For Leaders Of Preschool, Younger Children

September 11-15, Saxe Adams, pictured, preschool music consultant, Baptist Sunday School Board will be in the state for a series of conferences for preschool and younger children leaders.

These conferences are designed for workers of this age children in all areas of the church. Each two-hour conference is to be divided as follows: The first period will concentrate on music with the child, wherever he is (Sunday School, Church Training, home, choir, etc.) with the emphasis on the autoharp. The second period will provide specific and practical help for



Sitting at the piano in her Reed City, Mich., home, Hanna Bennard remembers "The Old Rugged Cross," which her late husband, George Bennard wrote in 1913. — RNS Photo.

### Lives Amid Memories

## How A Social Security Check Led To 'The Old Rugged Cross'

REED CITY, Mich. (RNS)—Hanna Bennard was 82 years old and a widow for 14 years when she received her first Social Security check.

It was for all of \$48.30. But that check, and the circumstances under which it was allocated, caused the Social Security Administration here to churn out one more press release.

The administration's idea was to publicize the fact that Mrs. Bennard, like thousands of others over the age of 72, had not realized she could receive Social Security pension checks, although neither her husband nor her self had ever been "covered" by the federal "pension" program.

In publicizing the check, Social Security found Hanna Bennard, widow of George Bennard, author of "The Old Rugged Cross," regarded as the best-known hymn ever written by an American.

George Bennard, first a member of the Salvation Army and later a Methodist minister, made a bit more than \$5,000 out of the hymn, which has been a "standard" since it was written and published in 1913. He never got rich on royalties and, concerned for Hanna's future, had sought several times to get his earnings covered under Social Security. He had no luck; he was a clergyman back in the days when ministers just weren't covered under the federal program.

The little item about that check for \$48.30 led Hiley Ward of the Detroit Free Press to visit Hanna Bennard at her home in Reed City. In his words, he found her living "alone with her memories" in the 100-year-old house in which she had been born of Swedish immigrant parents.

For Hanna, "arthritis and a healing broken bone have made life difficult," the religious editor wrote. "She is so sick with indigestion she can hardly answer the door."

He asked: "Do you still play 'The Old Rugged Cross'?" She replied: "I'll show you if I've got any strength left." She turned to a piano. "Her thin, knotted hands limbered up along the keys and rolled through the familiar strains. Her head swayed in her memories, as the harmony parts rose into the great emotional refrain."

"O I'll cherish the old rugged

cross  
Till my trophies at last I lay down—  
I will cling to the old rugged cross  
And exchange it some day for a crown."

In her conversation, Mrs. Bennard noted that her husband received a first payment of \$500 for "The Old Rugged Cross," with subsequent payments for royalty rights.

(Bruce Howe of the Rodeheaver Company, which bought the rights, said that Mr. Bennard received more than \$5,000 from royalties before he died.)

(Royalties are a dead issue now, though. The only conceivable income could come from use on television — and how many times have you heard "The Old Rugged Cross" sung on TV amid the commercials, the detective stories and the Westerns?)

Hanna's memories of her husband are sharp. She hopes, some day, to hear his "beautiful tenor voice" in paradise. "Maybe I'll play a harp," she mused, "if I am allowed to go into the music room (in heaven)."

She admits that she often gets up from her bed in the middle of the night to play "The Old Rugged Cross" on the piano. "The other night I played it three times. . . I loved him so much."

As it has happened to many other elderly people, Mrs. Bennard found out accidentally that she qualified for some form of Social Security pension. She is now one of 439,703 recipients of a six-year-old "special aid" provision of the Social Security law that provides benefits to persons over 72 who do not already receive a federal pension or public assistance payments.

P. S. The law has been liberalized. In September, Hanna Bennard will be getting a monthly check of \$58.

## Czech Tennis Player Takes Long Route To Ministry

By Tim Nicholas

ATLANTA (BP) — When the Russians invaded Czechoslovakia in 1968, Josef Solc had made up his mind to leave, with the hopes of entering the ministry.

But he didn't know he was taking the long way around to reach his goal of becoming a Baptist preacher.

A Christian and the son of a Baptist preacher, Solc (pronounced Solk) had been refused permission to go to college to study as a teacher or as a minister.

So for two years, he served in the Czech Army, helped his father in the church, and learned to excel in both ice hockey and tennis.

He played ice hockey professionally and was the top-ranked junior tennis player in Czechoslovakia. As part of the Czech process of democratization, anyone could get permission to go abroad for one month, so Solc got permission to go to England for a Baptist convention.

Before he could leave, however, the Russians invaded his country.

In the confusion of the invasion, Solc drove into West Germany — and he hasn't been home since.

By Tim Nicholas

Four-day work weeks are commonplace in business and industry. Industry loans out its key personnel for charity work and other people give their increasing free time in volunteer work.

Many others would give their long weekends and vacations if they knew where and how to lock in where they are concerned.

The Harvey W. Grayums, Southern Baptists from Oak Grove, Missouri, have found direction in the Christian Service Corps, sponsored by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The Corps is a liaison program for lay people who want to get involved in mission service for either a week-end or a lifetime, using their own special skills.

For Harvey and Mary Grayum, even a summer vacation wasn't enough. They packed their suitcases, sold their home, and split to share their faith.

Since 1964 the Grayums, who owned their own construction company, have traveled around the western United States helping to build no less than eight churches.

In April of this year, the Grayums went to Tempe, Arizona, just outside of Phoenix, to help build Lakes Baptist Mission, on a four-acre plot

bought for \$40,000 with an HMB loan.

When they arrived, the former cattle feed lot had been cleared, but trouble was brewing. Building permits and hidden costs — such as fees from city architects — had caused setbacks.

Grayum, who was familiar with building codes and cost cutting techniques, set to work clearing the red tape debris in order to start building. By the end of April, the concrete foundation was being poured.

Living this time in Tempe in a gives time and material for church Doyle, a local construction man who gives time and material for church building, they often get varied housing facilities. Sometimes they have a trailer, sometimes they live in the church's "meetin' house." At Big Oak Flat, Calif., they lived 2½ months in a mountain cabin which had a wood stove and no bath.

They receive no pay for their work — only housing and grocery money. If the church cannot provide for the Grayums' needs, Harvey will take a secular job, usually as a carpenter.

Often their livelihood comes out of their savings. Last year the Grayums went home to Oak Grove, resuscitated their construction company, and built fifteen homes in fourteen months.

They've helped to build churches that had been meeting in private homes, in a potato barn, and one church met in a tin grain building in a plowed field. Their treks have included California, Nevada, Montana, and Arizona — next they'll be going to St. Anthony, Idaho to tie together two trailers for a temporary chapel in a huge trailer park.

With Oak Grove for a hometown, their home is their white panel truck, which also serves as office and traveling companion. "Everything we own is in that truck," said Mary Grayum.

Grayum said they keep their church membership in one place, at Capistrano Valley Baptist Church in California, the fourth church they helped build. During construction, Grayum said he served only as building advisor and from past experience, he said, "We try to stay out of church business."

Busy Christians, busy doing what they know best how to do, the Grayums have reared four children — one a Baptist youth director and one married to a Baptist pastor — "Now we have more time and even more energy to serve the Lord," said Mary Grayum.

"Now we're building," she added, "and leaving a part of ourselves at each church we visit."

### Miss Hutchins Retires

## 44 Years--Spanish Professor At Blue Mountain

Miss Elizabeth (Bess) Hutchins has retired from the faculty of Blue Mountain College, after teaching there for 44 years. Miss Hutchins was professor of Spanish and head of the Department of Foreign Languages.

Few institutions of higher learning have been made stronger academically because of the teaching services rendered by members of one family than has Blue Mountain College by the service of the Hutchins family of Blue Mountain.

Miss Bess Hutchins, who presided over her special department for 44 years, received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Blue Mountain; Master of Arts degree from the University of Virginia; and did extensive graduate study at Chautauqua, New York; the University of Mississippi; George Peabody College, Nashville; the Universidad Nacional de Mexico; and the University of Chicago.

Miss Mabel Hutchins, Miss Bess's aunt, was professor of Mathematics at Blue Mountain College for many years, and Miss Kate Hutchins, another aunt, received her college training at BMC. A sister of Miss Bess, Dr. Lucy Hutchins, taught Latin at Blue Mountain and some courses in Greek until her retirement in 1947.

All of Miss Bess Hutchins' sisters — Booth Hutchins Estes, Fannie Hutchins Jones, Margaret Hutchins Outlaw, and Dr. Lucy Hutchins, were alumnae of Blue Mountain College. Seven nieces and three great-nieces of Miss Bess are graduates and former students of Blue Mountain and four nephews attended the same school as summer students.

Additional to Miss Bess Hutchins' love for teaching Spanish, she has been and continues to be vitally interested in civic and church organizations. She is a very active participant in the Blue Mountain College Alumnae Chapter, the National BMC Alumnae Association, the Woman's Club, the AAUW, the UDC, the night circle of the WMU, and supporting membership of Lowrey Memorial Church.

A number of years ago, Dr. Barbara Ely, a Blue Mountain College

graduate and Spanish major, established an annual "Bess Hutchins Spanish Award" in her honor, to be given annually to the outstanding Spanish student of the junior or senior class at BMC. The 1972 Bess Hutchins Award was presented to Fabiola Fonseca of Quito, Ecuador.

A Spanish major graduate of Blue Mountain, Edwina Hardin Callicutt, who currently lives in the local community, but lived for twelve years in a Spanish-speaking country, has said of Miss Bess, "I could never have taught, lived, or worked at Pan American Airways in the country if I had not been instructed by the 'Master Spanish Teacher' for four years at Blue Mountain College. Miss Bess was the epitome of thoroughness. She utilized every intellectual technique in my classics; was firm, yet perfectly fair; frank, yet always friendly; ever deserving of each student's highest respect."

Students of Blue Mountain College dedicated the 1964 Mountain Yearbook, to the Hutchins Trio — Miss Mabel, Dr. Lucy, and Miss Bess. In 1948, students dedicated the yearbook to Miss Bess.

On June 1, 1968, during a Blue Mountain College Quality Awards Dinner, attended by more than 400 alumnae and friends of the college, Miss Bess received the Education and Teaching Award at the hands of Dr. E. Harold Fisher, president of Blue Mountain.

Near the close of the 1971-72 annual session of Blue Mountain, Miss Bess was named "Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year." She was the first recipient of this award from the college. She was recognized during the commencement exercises of May 28, 1972. A front page feature concerning the Citation for the Award appeared in the July issue of the Blue Mountain College Alumnae Bulletin.

In late May of the 1970-71 session Spanish students of Miss Bess presented her with a special gold-plated plaque, engraved with a declaration of special gratitude to her. The plaque was presented in assembly by two Spanish-speaking students, Edith Cortez of South America and Fabiola Fonseca of Quito, Ecuador. Miss Hutchins has taught over 5,000 students at

Blue Mountain, and influenced thousands more.

The grandparents of Miss Bess Hutchins — Mr. and Mrs. James Hutchins of Hinds County bought the picturesque two-story home, known as the Hutchins family residence, in Blue Mountain, from Colonel Lewis Ball. This home was later used by members of the Tom J. Hutchins family. The residence, located at the crest of what is known as "Hutchins Hill," still stands today. Miss Bess lives there with her niece, Mrs. Claude Estes.

### What A Shock!

It was visitation night in a Baptist Church in Oklahoma City. Assignments had been made; the people were gone to visit in the homes.

At the end of the service, just as the pastor was about to move into the city, a knock was heard at the door. The "man of the house" opened the door and was greeted with the following words: "Good evening sir, I'm Raymond Gary. I'm a member of Capitol Hill Baptist Church. We heard that you people are Baptists. We'd like so much to have you visit us next Sunday. We believe you'd like our church."

They visited for a while longer. Mr. Gary thanked them for their cordiality and left. Not until the following day, when some friends were told of the friendly visit, did they understand that their visitor was Governor Raymond Gary. They were amazed; they couldn't believe it!

Whereupon, they went to church the following Sunday just to see if the governor really was a member of that church. Sure enough, he was there. He is always there when official duties permit. That is the kind of Christian he is.

So you think you are too busy to visit. Here is a governor of a state who loves the Lord enough and who believes that visitation pays dividends enough that he visits. — "The Evangelist," First Tupelo



Home Mission Board staffer Dr. Elias L. Golonka, left, talks with Czechoslovakia native Josef Solc. Solc, who recently visited the HMB office in Atlanta, plans to enter Southwestern Seminary in the fall. — Baptist Press Photo by Chet Brumley.



# Woman's Missionary Union Special Day Gifts Reach \$24,640.81

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## Names In The News



Leland Fuller, pictured, graduate of Clark College, has joined the W. T. Barnes Evangelistic Association, as vocalist. A member of First Church, Summa, Alabama, he is a junior at Louisiana College. He was formerly minister of music at Chunky, Calvary, Newton; and McDowell Road, Jackson. Rev. W. T. Barnes, Alabama evangelist, states, "Because Leland is going to school in Louisiana and I am enrolled at the University of South Alabama (where I'm a charter member), we feel we can serve week-end crusade, youth or revival efforts in both Mississippi and Louisiana." Their address is W. T. Barnes Evangelistic Association, P. O. Box U-43, Univ. of S. Ala., Mobile, Alabama 36688 (phone 460-7971).



Dr. and Mrs. Mike Simoneaux, music missionaries to Japan, former Mississippians, will be returning to New Orleans, La. for a four-month furlough, beginning September 2. They can be reached c/o E. P. Rushing, 3427 Somerset Drive, New Orleans, La. 70114.



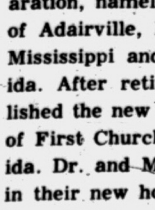
Randy Sanders, age 10, preached his first sermon on Sunday, August 6. Along with two other boys, Steve Gadd, 11, and Eddie Thompson, 13, he surrendered to preach several weeks ago at Temperance Hill Church, Rev. Jimmy Wilbanks, pastor. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Sanders.



Ron McCary, pictured, has entered the field of full-time evangelism. With over eleven years preaching experience, he has been the pastor of two churches, Westside, Birmingham, Ala., Pine Grove, Louisiana. He is a graduate of Samford University and New Orleans Seminary. He has conducted revivals in Ala-

bama, Ohio, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee. He may be contacted at: 500 Highland Drive, Midford, Alabama 35328, phone (205) 788-4770.

Pastor William S. Hardin of Sarasota, Florida's First Baptist Gulf Gate Chapel recently celebrated a double anniversary—his seventieth birthday and fiftieth year in the ministry. Pastor Hardin is a native of Mississippi and a graduate of Mississippi College and the Southern Seminary. He has served only three main pastorate after theological preparation, namely, First Churches of Adairville, Kentucky; Drew, Mississippi and Titusville, Florida. After retirement he established the new Gulf Gate Chapel of First Church, Sarasota, Florida. Dr. and Mrs. Hardin live in their new home at 6509 Bowline Drive, Sarasota, Florida 33581 and will be available for interim or supply after September 25.



lay radio broadcast which is heard every Saturday morning. He is available for supply or revival meetings. He will attend Blue Mountain College this fall.

Dr. and Mrs. Roy C. McGlamery, missionaries on furlough from Gaza, may be addressed at Ripley, Miss. 38663. She is the former Orlene Ellis of Ackerman, Miss. He has practiced medicine in Newton, and Ripley.

Rev. and Mrs. S. Payton Myers, missionaries to Nigeria, came to the States for Medical leave and then decided to stay also for regular furlough. Mr. Myers states that he will be glad to help out in the state in any way that he is needed while he is here. The Myers, both natives of Mississippi, may be addressed at P. O. Box 64, Columbia, Ms. (telephone 736-3110).

First Church, New Albany has licensed Wiley Gann pictured, to the gospel ministry. Local businessman, a deacon of First Church, and the county Brotherhood president, Mr. Gann has led in many lay revivals. He organized the Union County lay radio broadcast which is heard every Saturday morning. He is available for supply or revival meetings. He will attend Blue Mountain College this fall.



Australian guest at Carey, (right) Garry Oates, chats on the campus with Carey Professor, Dr. Milton Wheeler, whom he met last year in Australia. Garry, a Rotary exchange student studying in California for the past six months, is now touring the United States. He is a native of Narromine, New South Wales, Australia where he met Dr. Wheeler last year when he and five other outstanding young professional men, from Mississippi and Louisiana went on a Rotary Good Will Mission to Australia. "I have never seen so many gorgeous trees," commented Oates. The greenery of Mississippi impressed the Australian above all else except the charm and sincerity of the people. He has spoken before both the Hattiesburg and Petal Rotary Clubs.



# The Bible Speaks To Our Changing World

Joshua 1:1-9; Isaiah 40:6-8;

Daniel 1; John 8:12

By Clifton J. Allen

"The Bible Speaks to Issues of Our Time" is the title for the course of study for the next three months. It should be at once obvious that we urgently need to discover the relevance of biblical teachings and principles to the problems we face in the world situation.

The first lesson is introductory to the three-month study. The Bible has a sure word for us. Through it, God speaks to us with clarity and authority.

**The Lesson Explained**  
**SURE GUIDANCE FOR GOD'S PEOPLE** (Josh. 1:1-9)

God has designated Joshua as Moses' successor to lead the Israelites in the conquest of Canaan. What assurance did they have that their deliverance from bondage in Egypt

would culminate in their being established in the land promised to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob? The Lord spoke to Joshua to give him just the assurance needed. Along with the promises, God gave a charge to Joshua to be strong, to have courage, and to observe faithfully the teachings and commandments given to Moses in the book of the law.

The significance and relevance of God's charge of Joshua have a timeless application. The truth of the Bible set forth in the revelation of God to his covenant people provides guidance for us in our time. Here we have a sure word of direction for all the people of God in all the world. They are to go forward with strength and courage, assured of the unfailing presence of the living God. But they must hearken to the commandments of God and obey them fully. The path for the unknown future must be found by a new commitment to the moral imperatives in the Ten Commandments and to the teachings of the Scriptures about doing justice and showing mer-

cy and living in the fear of God.  
**THE ENDURING WORD OF GOD** (Isa. 40:6-8)

The writer of this second part of Isaiah was charged to declare to the people in exile the assurance that God was pardoning their iniquity and would restore the remnant of his people to Jerusalem. The word of God endures forever. The word of God means his declared purpose for Israel. That purpose would ultimately be accomplished — in God's way and God's time. God's people in exile, having endured the fires of judgment and the crisis of captivity in a foreign land, were assured that their God was the same and that his word would stand. We should relate this affirmation about the enduring word of God to our own time. God speaks to us through the Bible. It is the revelation of his eternal purpose and will. In spite of every national crisis, in spite of revolution and war, regardless of sociological upheaval and scientific development, the purpose of God for the redemption of the world will be fulfilled.

**LIGHT FROM THE LIVING WORD** (John 8:12)

God spoke in many ways and through many persons to reveal himself and to make known his way and will for mankind. When Jesus came, he was the living Word. But we turn to the Bible for the one completely authoritative revelation of God's saving work in Christ and of the truth revealed in him. If we follow him, we need not be afraid of the powers of darkness because the light of Christ keeps on shining. The power of darkness cannot put it out. If we follow Christ, we need not be afraid of developments in science because Christ is the source of all truth. If we follow him, we do not need to be afraid of developments in the space age because all things in heaven and on earth and under the earth are under the sway of his lordship.

**Truths to Live By**

The Bible speaks to life at the deepest levels of experience. — It helps us to know who we are and why we

are here and what we can become and what we can do through the grace of God in Christ and with the help of his Spirit.

Understanding the Bible makes stern demands of us. — We must come to the Bible with open minds and a teachable spirit. The Bible requires that we understand God in terms of infinite holiness, perfect righteousness, and absolute love; but all this is to be understood in the light of God in Christ. We must be willing to follow Christ in obedience and trust and love if we are to understand the message of God in the Bible.

This antique typewriter was recently given to the Baptist Historical Commission at Mississippi College. It was the property of the late Rev. L. D. Posey, Baptist preacher for over 50 years, who used the machine to type her sermon notes and to assist in the printing business he also operated. Mr. Posey also used it for a time to type Sunday school lessons for the Baptist Record. (M. C. Photo by Bill Strange)

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Thursday, August 24, 1972



Boggan and Gaugher

## First, Clara, Uses "Growth In Christian Stewardship" Program

First Church, Clara, Rev. Vince Gaugher, pastor, conducted a stewardship emphasis in July. They used the Growth in Christian Stewardship program and added to this a Stewardship Revival. Rev. W. W. Boggan, Supt. of Missions, Clarke - Wayne Associations, was the preacher.

During the revival there were numerous members who made public decisions to tithe, two professions of faith, and three who made commitments to do the Lord's will in their life's work.

Rev. Clarence H. Cutrell, associate in the Stewardship Department, Miss. Baptist Convention Bd., was speaker for the Fellowship Dinner. On Prove the Tithing Day, the offering reached \$382.00, about 85% above the average. On Commitment Day, there were 26 cards returned. The number of tithers about doubled.

The church voted to begin using individual packaged offering envelopes for the first time.

## Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

# Paul: Example Of Courageous Witnessing

Acts 22:1-10

By Bill Duncan

In a recent WIN conference for the purpose of training laymen to witness, it was amazing how many were fearful of going out to a home for the purpose of sharing their faith. One man just let it be known from the beginning that he would go with someone else, but he just was not going to say a word. But when the team came back, he was the one who was so excited about the visit. It seemed that he unexpectedly had opened up and said what he felt in his heart. The evidence of lack of confidence can be seen in how many went witnessing: the crowd was cut in half.

Do you have the courage to share your faith with those with whom you work? What would you do if someone asked you how to be saved? These are two different questions, but both concern courageous witnessing. This lesson will help you see Paul as a courageous witness.

Nothing in all the New Testament so shows the force of Paul's personality as the silence he commanded with a gesture from the mob that faint of the army realized that Paul was no revolutionary thug, he allowed Paul to defend himself by speaking. It was evident that the power of God flowed through his life and made him a forceful witness.

Paul made his defense into a witness for Jesus Christ. His defense was not to argue, but to relate a personal experience which is the most unanswerable argument on earth. First of all Paul identified with the people to whom he was speaking. He was a Jew and that Paul never forgot. He was a Rabbi trained at the feet of Gamaliel who was considered by some "to be the glory of the law."

He had been a persecutor in the zeal of the mob to which he spoke, so you see, he identified with his audience. Any witness can break down barriers after his blood. Because the capturers and establish relationships of influence if he will identify with his audience whether it be one or one thousand. More harm has been done because "so-called" witnesses either talked down to or refused to con-

sider the needs of the person with whom they talked.

Second, Paul went on to show what had made the difference in his life — what had made him different from those who now wanted to kill him. The simple fact was that he had accepted Jesus of Nazareth as the Messiah whom God had sent to the world to love all people. As a result of that decision, Paul felt that God wanted him to spread abroad the privileges of all men to accept Jesus as their Savior. This really cut the Jews, for they believed that God loved the Jews and no other nation. This decision was what made Paul different from his audience and from the world. Yet his ministry had been in obedience to God's command.

In giving his defense, Paul said that his conversion, which was the matter of concern, had its beginning in an experience which was not his planning. It was God's will which he came to know. It was God's appointment that he was to see and hear the Just One. Each step was at God's command, and in each step Paul had been concerned for his Jewish people. Even in the divine initiative Ananias recognized the fact and he was "a devout man according to the law, well spoken of by all the Jews who lived there" (v. 12).

The people listened until he mentioned the word, Gentile. That statement about God's purpose to save the Gentiles sent the mob into a frenzy. Judaism had an uneasy conscience about the Gentile question. With one hand, they were reaching out for proselytes and with the other, pushing them off. They insisted that Gentiles had to become Jews before they could be accepted by Judaism.

The frenzy of the mob was a wild demonstration of contempt for Paul as a traitor. The crowd waved garments and threw dust into the air. What was Paul guilty of in their eyes?

No one can help but realize how brave Paul was to give his witness the way he did. The mob was after his blood; yet he was faithful to his Lord.

The reason Paul had been successful in his witness at a time like this was that he had been faithful before under better circumstances. Do you

think you could have done what he did? Most likely not, if you cannot share your faith with a newcomer to your community.

Courage to witness will come from two sources: (1) The Holy Spirit working through us enabling us to do the task of witnessing. Paul said, "I can do all things through Christ that strengtheneth me." It is only possible because of Christ's presence in the Holy Spirit. (2) Courage will come with experience. The first time is the hardest. As one becomes trained and

## Pike Association

### Awards Scholarships

For the third year, Pike Association has awarded scholarships to Baptist students who are attending Mississippi Baptist colleges and have given their lives to full-time Christian service.

This year the Scholarship Committee voted to award three scholarships of \$100 each to Edwin King, Douglas D. Polk, and Kenny L. McCoy. The committee also awarded two scholarships of \$50 each to Rev. Steve Conerly and Rev. Jimmy Fulton.

The Scholarship Committee of the Pike Baptist Association is composed of Ralph Reeves, chairman; Rev. Bill Crosby, Dr. Jim Brock, Mrs. Shelton Cotton, Rev. Larry W. Fields, and Mrs. John Lee Taylor. The association has awarded \$1200 in scholarships in the last three years.

**NALERIGU, Ghana** — The Sunday marking the 14th anniversary of the Nalerigu Baptist Church was also the close of youth week. Six young men were baptized during the morning worship service, four from Nalerigu and two from one of the church's preaching stations.

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Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. The program is a one day affair, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending after the supper meal, with lunch and supper being served at a cost of \$3.50.  
The rally is jointly promoted and directed by the WMU and Brotherhood departments.

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## Baptists In Angola Capital Have First Church Building

LUANDA, Angola — The first Baptist church building ever to be erected in this capital city has been completed, and an audience of 600 crowded into the 500-seat sanctuary to witness its dedication.

The Catholic president of Luanda's city government, Fernando de Sa Viana Rebelo, also deputy of Angola for the Portuguese federal government, assisted in the dedicatory services. He said that although he is a "practicing Catholic," he was glad to cooperate with Baptists in the realization of this long cherished goal.

The building, consisting of a sanctuary and five Sunday School rooms, faces the principal street entering or leaving Luanda. It is being temporarily shared by the congregations of First Baptist Church and the Community Baptist Church of Luanda, who worship at different hours. First Baptist expects to construct another building at a later time.

Southern Baptist missionary Harrison Pike, pastor of First Baptist, was on furlough in Texarkana, Tex., when the building was dedicated. A. Ben Oliver, missionary to Brazil since 1935, transferred to Angola last year to be interim pastor during his

final year of mission service. He preached the dedicatory sermon.

Oliver will retire at the end of September.

Deacon and church treasurer Svend Erik Jorgensen is credited by Oliver with having initiated work in Luanda leading up to the new building.

Funds from the Southern Baptist Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering helped to erect the \$60,000 structure. Two churches in the States contributed furnishings. First Baptist of Waco, Tex., gave the pulpit, three large platform chairs and the communion table, all

of African hardwood.

First Baptist Church, Birmingham, Ala., assisted members of the two Luanda congregations in purchasing new pews of similar wood. Women of Community Baptist Church gave the electronic organ.

One woman bought and resold dozens of eggs to contribute to the building fund, another baked and sold bread, and still another, a beauty operator, gave two months' tips.

Almost 500 people attended an evening service on the day of dedication. Oliver baptized 10 persons and officiated during the Lord's Supper.

### Devotional

## I Am The Door

By Frances L. Tyler, Blue Mountain College

"I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture" (John 10:9).

The simplicity of Jesus' statement, "I am the door," contrasts with the highly decorated bronze Ghiberti doors in Florence, Italy. Jesus' statement was made in a very humble environment, calling to mind the rural life of the shepherd but across the centuries, he has become the symbol of man's entrance into the Kingdom of God. The Ghiberti doors attract artists, tourists, and privileged persons; but Jesus attracts the rich and poor, the educated and uneducated, the strong and the weak.

The Bible abounds in references to the doors of faith (Acts 14:27), hope (Hosea 2:15) and love (Hosea 2:19). Also Biblical references are made to open doors and closed doors, and doors of opportunity. But for the devotional thought this closing day of August, Jesus' statement seems most appropriately applied to students as a door of utterance (Co. 4:3) opens before them.

The very nature of school on every level indicates an entrance in two fields of learning and endeavor. For the first-grader, Jesus is the DOOR. For the middle school novice, Jesus is the DOOR. For the junior high beginner, Jesus is the DOOR. For the high school senior, Jesus is the DOOR. For the college freshman, Jesus is the DOOR. For the university senior, Jesus is the DOOR. Jesus is the DOOR for all the sheep (John 10:7), for all the students.

Mrs. Jessie Burrell Eubank taught a very large Sunday school in Washington, D. C. for years. She said that she never stepped into the door of her church without saying in her heart, "Thank you, Father." Jesus is the DOOR for all students this fall. Through him they can step into the future with a constant friend, Lord, Savior, and guide. Going in and out through him assures well being and good pasturage.

The hinges of the doors to the temple were of gold (1 Kings 7:50) to reveal God's concern for the inner as well as the outer equipment. God prepared for Jesus, the DOOR, in an even greater manner. The environment, heredity, nations, angels, and wise men were made ready for the DOOR to open. Students and teachers and parents can enter the open DOOR and prayerfully anticipate a magnificent year for all who enter. As the "door of utterance" opens, God will aid those who come through faith, hope, and love and dedicate themselves to articulate his truth.

By the time you read this meditation, many of our institutions of higher education will be in the fall semester. May I close these devotionals discussing the "I am's" of Jesus with this quote from Clarence Day's *Life With Father* which greets all students at Blue Mountain College as they enter the door of Guyton Library?

I am the library  
I am neither walls nor shelves  
Nor even the books that stand in rows  
I am the wisdom of the universe  
Captured and arranged for you  
I am an open Door  
Enter

### Reception, Money-Tree Given Batesville Pastor

Sunday evening, Aug. 6, the members of First Church, Batesville, honored their pastor, Dr. Johnny C. Spencer, and his family with a reception in recognition of the beginning of his second year as pastor of the church. Dr. Spencer came to Batesville as interim pastor in February, 1971, and served in that capacity until the church called him as full-time pastor in July of that year. Accepting the call, he moved his family to Batesville August 1, 1971.

The reception, planned by members of the church, was kept secret from the honorees - until the close of the evening worship hour when Dr. Ben Moore, Chairman of Deacons, invited all those present to move to the Fellowship Hall for the event.

Approximately 250 were present to extend appreciation and good wishes to the pastor, his wife, Nancy, and their two daughters, Susan and Gail.

A money - tree, prepared by Mrs. John Dickins, and bearing a full crop of "greenback" was presented to the Spencers from members of the church.

Children may tear up a house, but they never break up a home.

### Pastor's Birthday Cake Has 3 Candles!

Southside, Hattiesburg, gave their pastor, Rev. W. N. Johnson, pictured, a surprise birthday party on July 31 in the fellowship hall. The yellow and white cake contained the words, "Happy Birthday to our Pastor," and three candles—one for the past, one for the present, and one for the future. (The pastor's relatives from Gulfport were present for the party.)

Mr. Johnson moved to the Southside pastorate in November, 1971, after serving nine years in Jones County. Before he moved onto the Hattiesburg field, the pastorium was completely remodeled, and the fellowship hall and Sunday school rooms had new roofs and new ceilings installed.

Since he has been at Southside there have been ten professions of faith, 26 additions by letter, and two on statement.

Mr. Johnson preaches at Happy Acre Convalescent Home each Saturday afternoon at 6 and each Wednesday at noon. In these services there has been one profession of

## People From Many States Return To Mississippi For Mayhew Centennial

On August 13, the Mayhew Union Church celebrated its 100th anniversary. People interested in Mayhew gathered at 10:30 in the little white clapboard church. The old pews were filled to capacity. Approximately 200 attended. People had travelled from several parts of the country back to this aged community which had its beginning as a Presbyterian mission to the Choctaw Indians. The register contains addresses from Kentucky, Ohio, New York, California, Tennessee, Georgia, Missouri, Texas, Louisiana and many points over Mississippi.

Rev. George Reece, present Methodist pastor of the Mayhew Union faith and one received by letter into the Southside Church.

Southside broke its former records in tithes and offerings in January, 1972. Then in April they broke the record they had set in January. They are now paving a vacant lot for use as parking area.

Mrs. Johnson is the former Grace Walker. The Johnsons have a daughter, Mrs. Harry M. Thomas; a son, Robert M.; and four grandsons.

Church, extended a welcome to the guests and recognized the former pastors which included: Rev. Kenneth H. Smith, Jr., Rev. Chrisman, Rev. W. L. Marsh, and Rev. Nash Hammill. This church has ordained 13 of its boys to preach the gospel and Rev. Watson Askew was the only one of the group present. Mrs. Bess Swendenburg prepared and read "Mayhew, Ms., A Religious History" as a memorial to her grandfather, D. D. Stover. From her findings it was established that a Baptist church has existed in the community since 1842. However, the Baptist church now in existence had its beginning in 1872. It is believed that the people gathered to worship in the Mayhew Academy during the first years. The deed to the present church grounds is dated May 15 1878. The land was bought for \$25.00. It seems that the Centennial was held six years early for the Mayhew Union Church, and 30 years late for the Baptist church of the community.

Rev. James Duke, present Baptist pastor of the Mayhew Union Church, announced that the offering would be used for improvements on the church building and prayed the offertory prayer. Jane Burgin of Marks, sang a solo, "Follow Me." Rev. Kenneth Smith brought the message, "And the Church Goes On." His scripture reading was from John 12 with special emphasis on verse 43.

The group moved from the church to the Golden Triangle Vocational Technical Center for lunch. The ladies of Mayhew had prepared a marvelous assortment of food. Many guests also brought food. The table was sumptuously spread: Barbecued pork, fried chicken, ham, turkey, casseroles, salads, fresh fruits and vegetables, sandwiches, relishes and desserts. After lunch, Rev. Duke announced that the Mayhew Cemetery had been decorated with flowers on every grave for what is believed to be its first Decoration Day. The sacred little spot lies alongside the G. M. & O Railroad south of the community.

Our money talks today as if it were almost exhausted.

Some people always enter a room voice first.

It now costs more to amuse a child than it did to educate his father.

Character is not made in a crisis, it is only exhibited.

### MK Dies In Indonesia

Ann Ingouf, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Ingouf, missionaries to Indonesia, died Aug. 9 following an extended illness.

A funeral service and burial were to be held Aug. 11 in Kediri, Indonesia.

The family had been living near the Baptist hospital in Kediri since last February when Ann's illness was diagnosed as a malignancy of the lymph system. They moved there from Bandung where Mr. and Mrs. Ingouf were engaged in publication and promotion work.

### "On-To-College Day"

At Gore Springs

Rev. David Sellers, pastor of Collinsville Church, was guest speaker at Gore Springs Church as a part of "On to College Day" observed there on August 20.

Following the morning worship service, the college young people enjoyed a picnic. During the Church Training hour, adults, upperclassmen, and freshmen participated in a panel discussion on college life today, with Mr. Sellers directing the discussion.

Those participating in the college day program were Tommy Gillon, Dianne Barnette, Peggy Gillon, Rosemary Jenkins, Babs and Gerald Nelson, Dan Montgomery, Rita Todd, Steve Durham, Gloria Stroud, Mrs. Arnold Dyre, Earl Gillon, Mrs. Bob Stroud, and Mrs. Hal Durham. Mrs. J. M. James and Mrs. Earl Gillon are church youth directors.

### DO YOU SUPPORT MRS. O'HAIR?

Madalyn O'Hair, self-appointed and outspoken leader of American Atheists, says that those who do not attend church are on her side. In a letter she wrote to Congressman Gene Synder criticizing him for his attack upon her, she said this: "There are more atheists in America than in any other country and there are more in each state than there are Christians." She supports her theory by adding the following exhortations: "Go to church next Sunday and count the empty seats."

Do you give support to Mrs. O'Hair's Movement? It's worth thinking about.

—"The Evangelist,"

FBC, New Orleans



### Mississippians At Ridgecrest

Mississippians at Woman's Missionary Union Conference at Ridgecrest had a get-acquainted get-together with the state WMU executive secretary, Marjean Patterson (right). Chatting with Miss Patterson are (left to right) Mrs. Neil Moore, wife of the superintendent of missions in Booneville; Mrs. Ray Grillo, Crystal Springs; Mrs. John Causey, Corinth; and Mrs. Joel Ray, Hattiesburg.



### Lucedale Singers End Summer Tour

Selah Singers (Youth Choir), top photo, and Madrigal Singers bottom photo, of First Church, Lucedale, have completed their summer tour. The groups sang in First Church, Fairfield, Alabama; Russell Cave Church, Gardendale Church, and Cardinal Hill Convalescent Hospital, all in Lexington, Kentucky; and New Winchester Church, Danville, Indiana. They also toured Mammoth Cave in Kentucky and Opryland in Nashville. Selah Singers are under direction of Kenneth McDavid, minister of music; Mrs. Al Eubanks directs the Madrigal Singers. Organist is Edith Ferrill and pianist is Michael Conner. Rev. David Merritt is pastor.



### New Scholarship Established At MC

Mr. and Mrs. William Jennings Brian of Montgomery, Ala., chat with Dr. Lewis Nobles (left), president of Mississippi College, after Mr. Brian had established the Maggie Belle Veazey Brian Scholarship Fund at the college in honor of his wife, a 1933 graduate of the college. The scholarship will be used to help young ladies have the same opportunities for a Christian oriented education at Mississippi College as Mrs. Brian enjoyed. (M. C. Photo by Bill Strange)

### REVIVAL RESULTS

Calvary, Holy Springs: July 30-August 4; 15 for baptism; 4 by letter; 24 rededications; Rev. Ray Newcomb, First Church, Williston, Florida, evangelist; Rev. Charles R. Farmer, pastor.

New Hope, Foxworth: 16 professions of faith; 2 by letter; over 200 decisions; Rev. William (Bud) Gillett from Liberty, North Carolina, evangelist; David Grimsley, First Church, Purvis, guest music director; Rev. C. Lonnie Earnest, pastor.

### "Celebration Of Consecration" At First, Louisville

A week that had tremendous impact on both youth and adults was held at First Baptist Church, Louisville, July 30 - August 6. This was a new venture in the field of youth revivals. Called "Celebration of Consecration" Music Revival, the program included youth choirs from churches throughout the area singing and giving testimonies each night.

Sunday evening, the youth choir of Louisville sang and gave testimonies. On Monday night, the youth choir of Highland, Laurel, directed by Jim Young, gave a concert. Tuesday night, the program was a performance of the musical "Love" by the youth choir of Highland, Meridian, directed by Robert Gray. The youth choir of First, Columbus, directed by Perry Robinson, had charge of the Wednesday night service. Cecil Harper and the youth choir of First Church, Canton, gave a concert Thursday night.

A musical drama, "He's Alive," was given on Friday night by the youth choir of First, Amory, under direction of Rick Van Egmond. On Sunday, a group of nine young people from Ripley, known as "The Other Sound" sang for the morning worship service, and also for the fellowship following the evening service. The youth choir of Second Avenue, Laurel, directed by Milford Valentine, sang a brief program on Sunday evening.

"Comments from all those who attended and participated would surely indicate that although this was a new venture, it surely would bear repeating," states Noxie J. Taylor, minister of music at First, Louisville. Rev. Vernon May is pastor.

A really wealthy man is one who doesn't know his kids are in college.

## Off The Record

### HOW TO SCARE A GHOST

A preacher was offered a tidy sum to stay all night in a supposedly haunted house. The preacher, willing to prove the nonsense of "spooks," complied. The next morning when asked what happened, he said, "Well, I went inside, locked the doors and sat down. Suddenly there were three ghosts in front of me. So I said a prayer; they were still there. I read a comforting passage from the Bible; they were still there. I sang a hymn; they were still there. Then I told them we would take up a collection, and they all left."

A young applicant for a job as truck driver for a Los Angeles dairy was asked if he was married. "No," he replied. "I'm not — but I can take orders, if that's what you mean."

—Dick Micks in Culver City, Calif., Evening Star-News

Having just planted a garden for the first time, the former apartment-dweller asked his experienced friend, "When the seeds sprout, how can you tell the flowers from the weeds?"

"Pull them all out," replied the long-time gardener. "The ones that come up again are the weeds."

When the young housewife presented her husband's paycheck for payment, the teller explained that the check had to have an endorsement first.

The young woman looked thoughtful for a moment and then wrote on the back of the check: "My husband is a wonderful man. (Shirley Jones.)"—Burrroughs Clearing House.

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### New Hope Choir To Sing At Purvis

Pictured is part of the 45-member youth choir of New Hope, Foxworth. The choir has returned from an eight-day tour of North Carolina and Tennessee. Their program includes songs, hymns, dialogue, quoted scriptures, and personal testimonies, showing the plan of salvation with an emphasis on the second coming of Christ. Gary Hodges, music director, says "The choir praises God for the salvation of 13 souls and 75 others responding to the invitations; also, five others have accepted Christ, along with 10 rededications, in two special services following the tour." The choir presented the program at the Gillsburg Church near Osyka August 30 and will sing at First Church, Purvis, September 10, at 7 p. m. Rev. C. Lonnie Earnest is pastor, LaNell Pounds, pianist, and Henri Stringer, organist.